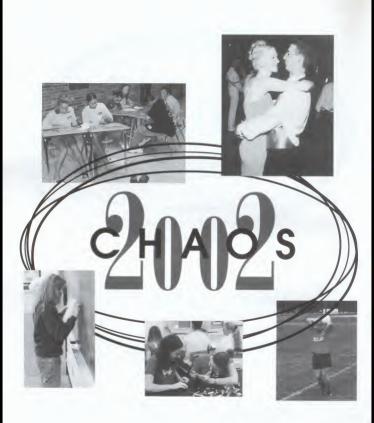




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Looking back, Moving ahead

Sitting in classes

Preparing for the future

Meeting with others

Making a difference

Hanging out together

Building new friendships

Practicing with intensity

Playing with Bomber Pride

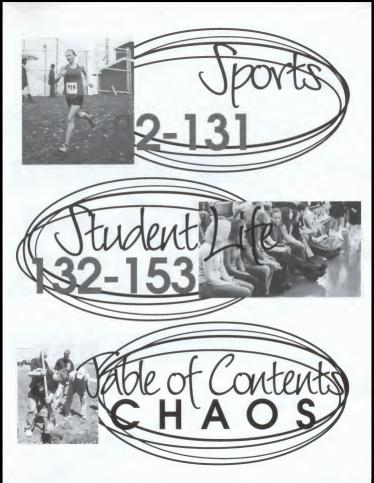
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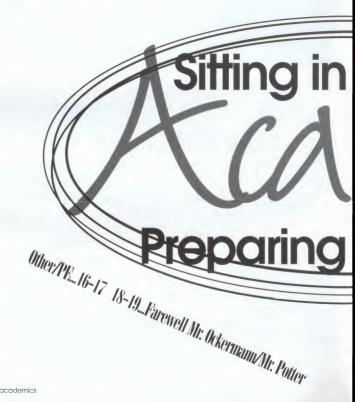








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"Takin' care of business"

Jeff Brandes is either diligently scheduling events or downloading the latest hit songs.

Mrs. Lynn Kiger, guidance secretary, is demonstrating her computer knowledge.

Hard workin' men

Computer whiz

Mr. Sam Cox and Mr. Charles Tait are hard at work talking about important subjects.

Secretaries at work

Mrs. Norita Schultz and Mrs. Leila Klemme discuss secretary matters during school.







Mr. Jeff Brandes Athletic Director



Mr. James Earnest Auidance Counselor





Dr. Edward Habrowski Vice Principal



Principal

Administration and Support



Mrs. Leila Klemme Secretary



Mrs. Vorita Schultz





Auidance Counselor

Mrs. Lynn Kiger



Ves. Veta Waling













"He's movin' on up..."

Dr. Ed Habrowski was vice principal at RCHS this year. He will be replacing Mr. Lancaster as principal in 2002-2003.

"Rensselaer Central High School."

One of Mrs. Leila Klemme's many duties as secretary is to answer the phones at the front desk in the office.

"Smile, you're on candid camera!"

With the help of his assistants, Jeff Brandes gets his jobs done with plenty of spare time.

Women at work

Mrs. Waling is tending to her nurse duties. The photo to the left is a behind-the-scenes look at the cooking staff preparing lunch for hungry students.

Meeting of the minds

Dr. Ed Habrowski, Mr. Randall Lancaster, and Mr. Chris Meeks discuss one of many important topics at RCHS during the 2001-2002 school year.



Listen to me... listen closely!

Students pay close attention as Mr. Rich Stefanich gives another lecture. Most of the students seem to be paying close attention, but there are a few exceptions to every rule.

Study study study

Mr. Bob Hainje 's class works hard while reading another assignment. Keelv McIlwain and Eva Gutwein work persistently.

Maybe I put the answers in here...

Mr. John Potter sorts though his desk as students work hard on an in class assignment.











Mrs. Jan Benner Foreign Language

Language Arts



Mrs. Angela Bieghler Foreign Language



Mrs.Maureen Jungblut English/Foreign Language



Mrs. Jane Swartzell English/Foreign Language



Mr. Dan Kellow English



Mr. Bill Oates English/Mass



Mrs. Dori Hancock English



Mr. Bob Hainie Social Studies



Mr. John Potter Social Studies



Mr. Rich Stefanich Social Studies

Social Studies







Up in front

Mr. John Pottter attempts to teach his class the importance of wood during World War I. "What you do may become history someday too..."

Student teaching

Ms. Tina Carroll, Mrs. Maureen Jungblut's student teacher, does an excellent job of keeping the attention of all the students in the morning class as they take notes.

A classic shot

In Mr. John Potter's classroom the students pay close attention.

Everyone pay attention to the board

Mr. Sid Dobson instructs his earth space science class and attempts to get everyone's attention to the front of the classroom.

Look out, it's a camera

Ms. Jill Henady helps Italian exchange student Elena Meroni to better understand her precalculus.

Make sure to take notes

Mrs. Marian Horazy teaches her students how to work out their homework problems.

Do you follow my examples?

Student teacher Ms. Shana Wyatt puts examples on the board in hopes that the students pay close enough attention to understand their homework













Ms. Jill Henady Algebra 21



Mr. Scott Micklo Algebra 2/



Mr. Matt Stevens Algebra 1/ Geometry



Mrs. Marion Horazy Pre-Algebra/Algebras



Mr. Sid Dobson Earth Space Science



Mr. Steve Brandenberg AcademicBiology/ AD Biology



Mrs. Hrather Hrinig integrated Chemisty Physics/Chemisrty



Mrs. Brb Price Advanced Chemistry/ Chemistry/Biology











Getting the score

Mrs. Marian Horazy hands back homework papers to P.J. Marlin and Nick Nagel in their pre-algebra class.

I love this class

Mr. Steve Brandenberg's academic biology freshmen absorb a lecture on aerobic respiration. They take thorough notes to prepare for the chapter test.

Making the grade

Mr. Matt Stevens' class pulls out the homework they toiled over the night before. Now they prepare to take a grade.

What ??? I am a Little Busy Right Now!

Senior Jenny Shearer takes a quick break from working on her resume for Mrs. Morrow's I.C.E. class, in which Jenny performs job ready duties during her senior year.

Searching, Searching, Searching,

Junior Adam Schleman searches the internet for some information for Mr. Feagans' computer applications class.

Beautifying the grounds.

Members of the new horticulture class work the soil as they prepare to make the north entrance of the school look more inviting. Senior Sarah Gaines seems ready to supervise, as Sarah DeWees and Stacy Herre position the plants.



Building a **Business Foundation** for all.





Mr Mike Feagans Computer Applications







Plowin' & Pickin' the Fields of a Great Crop Season.



Mr. Ron Wamsley Vocational Agri-



Ms. Faith Turnnaugh Vocational Agri-





Mr. Dave Goodman

Building Trades



Mr. Wall Brown Auto Mechanics



Mr. Wes Terrell



Mr. Sam Cox
Industrial Jechnol-

Gettin Down & Dirty Under the Hood.







You Can Design It, But Can You Build It?

Teneille Klopp Tooks on as Ryan Mays works from a design to the balsa wood model in Mr. Cox's intro to construction class.

Flippin' the Switch.

Sophomore Chris Bacewic flips the switch to raise the vehicle that he and his fellow auto mechanics classmates will be working on.

Little Miss Daisy and her Crew.

Senior Amber VanBlaircom takes flowers from the bucket and places them in vases, so she and the rest of the horticulture class can be so kind to pass them out to the faculty.

Working with their hands

In the photo directly below, Nick Earnest carefully puts all of the parts together to make a special picture in art class.

Constructive criticism In the photo to the lower right, Mrs. Kelly

Spurgeon gives some helpful comments to Amber Minix. Leading the instrumental music program

Leading the instrumental music program
In the bottom photo, Mr. Doug Koleszar works
on special music for graduation 2002.



Mrs. Rosie Virok Resource Room



Mrs. Starey Owens
Resource Room



Mr. George Eisele











Mrs. Joann Skinner ISTED Tutor



Mrs. Kim Adkins Resource Room



Mrs. Vancy Messman Heath and 2ϵ



Ms. Faith Turnpaugh Horticulture



Mr. Ron Wamsley Agriculture

Arts, Vocational, and Special Help Departments





Mrs. Anne Morrow



Mrs. Luetta Nussbaum Health Occupations









More than just going to the hospital

In the photo above, Mrs. Luetta Nussbaum helps a non-RCHS student with health occupations book work.

Grow it, and then arrange it

In the above left photo, horticulture students, like Samaah Marlin, listen as Ms. Faith Turnpaugh suggests ways of arranging flowers.

All smiles because the baby is not crying

In the photo in the left center position, Kristen Liersch, Jenny Allegrini, and Melissa Coker enjoy the babies that they will care for in Mrs. Snyder's class. Wait until 3:00 a.m.

The course is complete for now

In the photo to the left, Natalie Ames takes the all important end-of-the-class interview at the hospital to see how well she fored.



All Work and No Play...

After stopping by to say, "Have a good weekend," Mr. Mitch Ockermann returns to hard work in his office, as this early photo attests.

Still Smiling

Julie Jung, along with the rest of the class of 2002, wishes Mr. Ockermann good luck in the future.

Stickin' With it til the End

Mr. Ockermann performs one of his last duties as Rensselaer's superintendent - here presenting a diploma to Cesilia Longoria.







Standing Ovation

Mr. Ockermann applauds during Dr. Habrowski's speech during graduation for the class of 2001.

A Little R and R

Mr. Ockermann takes a well deserved break from his superintendent duties at a home football game with school board 18 academics member Gene Surr.





A Fond Farewell

Teaching Machines
Mr. Potter shares
teaching in the hallway strategies with Mr.
Stefanich

Mr. Mitchell
Ockermann and
Mr. John Potter
retire after a
combined total of







Potter in Action

In the photo directly above, Mr. Potter teaches his class another valuable lesson in history.

"What is it about this bench?"

Mr. Potter and some fellow teachers who left RCHS in the 1990's (Mr. Peters, Mr. Mingear, and Mr. Beehler) try to find out why students like the office bench so much. Not only are they all gone from the high school, but so is the bench.

Old School

In the 1980's, Mr. Potter recalls for his students thoughts from "back in the day."

NYPD visited RCHS and every student listened intently

Two members of the New York Police Department came and spoke to the students about all the drama regarding 9-11 with the student body. They also came to express their appreciation for the people and support towns like Rensselaer shared with New York City after the World Trade Center disaster.

Hypnotist can you put me out?

These students to the right seem to be out of it:
"under" is what the hypnosist would call it.
Students laugh as they watch

The sophomores seem to be rather attentive to the seniors who are undergoing hypnosis.















Student Assemblies

Question Time

The students could ask the officers any questions that they had regarding the September 11 World Trade Center tragedy. When All the Students at RCHS come together as one!







Watching the stupid moves by the seniors

Sophomores watch in amazement at what stupid things the seniors are doing, and they can't wait until they are seniors.

BADD members watch from the wings

In the left center photo, Mr. Randall made an impact on many students when it comes to taking that drink and driving.

This is new to us

The freshmen are full of laughter while watching the seniors under hypnosis. This is their first year of being included in the fun things at RCHS!

Very interesting

Sophomores Corey Keene, Brandon Schleman and Garrett Williams listen in their English class. Book work

Sophomore Katie Hannon answers questions at the end of a chapter in her French book. Lectures in heath occupations

Juniors Melinda Black, Erika Peck, Kelly Turner, and Natalies Ames listen attentively in their health careers class. They are preparing for careers in health related fields.









Fun with computers Seniors Bryan Inskeep and Jason Walker diligently work on the computers in a tech class called Project Lead the Way. Takina a break Seniors Danielle Klopp and Brooke Hewitt chat after finishing their assignment in computer class.





Classroom Candids

Receiving assistance

Zack Wright asks Mrs. Morrow for some help with a program on the computer. Academics in action







The joys of science

Students look thrilled to be enjoying another day of science.

Fixing the tractor

RCHS students work to fix a mower outside the ag shop.

Solving equations

Freshman Jenny Best works hard on her algebra homework so she can finish it in class.

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Cyber Space.

In the photo to the right, James Kupke puts his knowledge of using computers to find the correct spelling of several words, when an actual dictionary is not present.

Taking it Easy.

In the bottom right picture, Todd Ludington, Aaron Voss, and Michael Vaughn take the laid back approach because they are so confident that they will do just fine in their next competition.

I think you got it right.

Darshana Patel, Julie Jung, and Jenny Tanis take an in depth look at the work they just completed to see if it is correct.









Spell Bowl

(Back row from left) Mrs. Deb Price, James Kupke, Nick Earnest, Sarah Harwood, Michael Yaughn, Brandi Holf, Mrs. Heather Heinig; (front row) Cassie Papak, Chris Filson, Liz Plascak, Amy Kenning, Arial Hartwell, and Kylie Thiel.

Science Olympiad

(From left) Mike Asbell, Brett Sanders, Darshna Patel, Aaron Lomax, Erica Brown, Cassie Papak, and Krista Ruemler.





Two heads better than one.

Brandi Holt and Cassie Papak pair up and look for some interesting learning activities that they can use in one of their many academic teams.

How do you spell ...?

After having scrutinized the dictionary, Brandi Holt and Liz Plascak take turns spelling a few words from their teammate, Cassie Papak.





Great to have a victory.

Steve Myers holds the Science Olympiad trophy, while Miss Ein Burton writes a letter to congratulate all of the team members. Not only did Miss Burton assist with the Science Olympiad competition, but she also did a great job subbing for two maternity leaves in the department.



Academic Superbowl

(From Left) Kylie Thiel, Liz Plascak, Cassie Papak, Michael Vaughn, Brandi Holt, and Amy Kennina.

Practice Makes Perfect

Because team members did not show up for this picture, stalwart spellers. Brandi. Holt, Sarah Harwood, and Cassie Papak avail themselves of yet another opportunity to appear in the yearbook. Kudos for these alphabetically correct sisters in letter arranging.



"On The Road Again..."

Bryan Inskeep, Ben DeWees, Justin Nesius, Kevin Shide, Stephanie Goodman, Jeanna Pitstick, and Mr. Wamsley prepare to travel to Maryland for livestock judging.

It's Not Just Agriculture Anymore

In the bottom right photo, Ashley Beaver decides to apply some make-up as Carlos Avila looks on in wonder.

"Takin' Care Of Business..."

Jeanna Pitstick works is working hard to take care of FFA business.









The Envelope, Please,

Justin Nesius and Stacy Herre anxiously await Sara Egan's announcement of the Kiss-the-Pig contest winners.

FFA : All The Way

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Pucker Up!

Kara Kohlhagen does her duty as one of the Kiss-the-Pig contest winners. Jusin Nesius and Stacy Herre look on in awe.

"We All Scream For Ice Cream"

Miss Turnpaugh sell some discounted ice cream for the FFA following the Kiss-the-Pig festivities.









A Pig-Kissing Machine As the second Kiss-the-Pig winner, Josh Carr makes the little pig blush behind Justin Nesius.

"She Thinks My Tractor's Tiny"
FFA members check out the smallest of the tractor-drive-ins.



"We Are The Champions ... "

Stephanie Goodman, Kevin Shide, Ben DeWees, Bryan Inskeep, and Mr. Wamsley will be singing their victory song after performing very well at livestock Judging competition.

Superbly Stunned Seniors

Shyla Hesson, Ashley Hayworth, Angle Morris, Jeremy Freeman, and Robbie Sipkema are in awe during the FFA-sponsored Kissthe-Pla contest. Perhaps they are just glad to be out of class.



Uno, dos, tres ...

In the picture to the right, Jamie Tanis teaches the 8th grade students numbers in Spanish for the Cinco de Mayo celebration.

Here's your reward

In the picture on the bottom right, Chris Thilges, Missy Seely, and Bill Kupke hand out candy to the 8th graders who excelled in the game of Simon dice.

15 minutes

In the pictures below, members of B.A.D.D. paint the faces of those who "died" because of a drunk driver or because the were driving under the influence.











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Listen up! This is important stuff.

FCS member Abi Jo Snyder opens up the Word and reads a few verses aloud about hypocrisy, while Katie Earnest and Karyn Taylor follow along. What beautiful voices

Jennifer Fellmy, Kris Filson, Mandy Tychek, Taryn Kincaid, and Lesley Jordan Join together in worship before the lesson.







Get ready to march.

In the picture above, Mike Asbell and Julie Jung put up the March of Dimes flyers for the 2002 March of Dimes walk.

Anybody want some cookies? In the picture to the left, Robbie Butler, Brandi Holt, Cassie Papak, and Michael Vaughn make cookies for a fundraiser.



FCS

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Community Service Club

(Front row fram left) Mike Asbell, Cassie Papok, Brandl Holt, Michael Voughn: (2nd row) Samaah Marlin, Braake Schantz, Piper O'Brien, Adam Zimmer, Bill Kupke, Monica Jahnsan, Amanda Statin, Robbie Butlier, Gad row) Mary Yuchek, Jessea Wnght, Karyn Taylor, Ashley Haywarth, Ryan Anderson, Nick Earnest, Saroh Harwach, Bethary Stellmatter, Kimbra Taylor, Taylor, and Keyn Earnest







Well Rounded Band Members

Instrumentalists clockwise from above: freshman Matt Swope jams away at a boys basketball game; trombonists Josh Lape, Robbie Buller, and Nick Earnest practice before graduation; Kaila Snyder concentrates on the xylophone; in the lower right corner Kimbre Taylor flies the colors of the Joker in this year's show, "Batman," next to her, senior Aaron Voss leads freshman Eric Ludington and the trumpet section across the field; below, the Pep Band has fun playing for the Bomber fans both at home basketball and football aames.











A brand new colorguard this year with a lot of new members! The 2001 guard included seniors Amanda Butler, Kayla Peterson, Kimbre Taylor, Rochel Wireman, & Melanie Allis; Juniors Elise Querry & Brandi Halt; and sophomores Undsay Owsley & Jake Rawland. Freshmen, Erica Brawn & Karyn Taylar.









Don't Laugh!

In the photo below, freshman Candice Ratcliffe plays along while Karyn Taylor cracks a smile.





The Senior Section!

Seniors Kayla Peterson, Melanie Allis, and Amanda Bulter blast their favorite tune. "Hev Baby!"





2001-2001 Bomber Brigade: Rachel Acuncius, Melanie Allis, Amy Bardoczi, Adam Benner, Robbie Butler, James Conley, Lance Crownover, John Davis, Corey Dennis, Dacia Deno, Stephanie Deno, Katie Earnest, Kevin Earnest, Nick Earnest, Jennifer Fellmy, Longe Hoyd, Angela Gass, Kara Gibbert, Chris Gutvien, Nadoshid Hartwell, Sarch Harwood, Clayfon Henady, Brandi Holt, Sam Joers, Stephanie Kearney, Melyssa Kellow, James Kupke, Carrie Lanoue, Josh Lage, Jenny Lewis, Aaron Lomax, Eric Ludington, Sommer McNeily, Sarch Osterietid, Lindsay Powley, Darshana Patel, Andy Peterson, Daniel Peterson, Koyle Peterson, Lindsay Powell, Elise Guerry, Candice Ratfelff, Jake Rowland, Krista Ruemier, London Sayler, Missy Seely, Darrell Skinner, Kalla Snyder, Tony St. John, Nathran Stone, Matt Swope, Karyn Taylor, Kimbre Taylor, Lindon Sayler, Missy Seely, Darrell Skinner, Kalla Snyder, Tony St. John, Nathran Stone, Matt Swope, Karyn Taylor, Kimbre Taylor, Lindon Stone, Amber Turner, Sarah Ulim, Aaron Vass, Zach Wagner, Joe Webb, Rochel Wireman, & Austin Zeilmann.



Pep Band Quartet

Rachel Acuncius, Aaron Voss, Kaila Snyder, and Kevin Earnest freeze together at a home football game.



Colorguard member Elise Querry dances in front of the orange and yellow "Bat Cave" to the sound of marching saxophones.



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Leaders of the Pack

Sophomore Jennifer Fellmy awes the crowd with her flute solo. Senior guard captain Rachel Wireman smiles with her dad on senior night.

This button or that button

Adam Zimmer hits the right switches as he begins to edit a BTV show

The joy of teamwork

Andy McKim, Jamie Tanis, and Mandi Bridges are hard at work sorting pictures to include in the newspaper and 2002 Chaos in the lower right photo.

A future news anchor for NBC

Ryan Anderson is deep in thought as he prepares to go on camera to do daily announcements for the BTV show.









Mass Communications I-IV

Top left to right: Brittany Jarette, Mandi Bridges, Adam Zimmer, Ashley Hayworth, Ryan Anderson, Matt Graf, Bethany Streitmatter, Andy McKim, Danny Garartic. (middle row) Joe Delprincipe, Joe Gudeman, Ashley Burdett, Jamie Tanis, and (bottom row) Kate Chattin, Lori Walter, and Millie Walino.

Not this again

Bethany Streitmatter uses her woman's intuition to solve the problem of the frozen computer. These computer problems always pop up right before a deadline.





Crop that picture

Millie Waling is cropping up a storm in order to have her pictures ready to place in the yearbook.

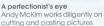
Hard at work

Lori Walters types away at one of her many yearbook layouts. Known as the "Index Queen," she displays many journalistic talents.









Lendina a hand

Chaos editor-in-chief Bethany Streitmatter gives yearbook staffer and sports editor Matt Graf suggestions for his winter sports layout.





Ready to go

Danny Garreto heads to the old blackboard to solve a modern mass communications problem.

How does this work?

Joe Gudeman tries to solve the case of the noisy movie projector. As soon as he finishes with this job, he will try to fix a broken video tape player.



Milking the Cow

Under a hypnotic state, Brooke Hewitt attempts and succeeds in milking an imaginary cow.

The Sunshine Officers

Top row from left, Sponsor Mrs. Meta Waling, Stephanie Deno, Allyson Cripe, Angela Gass; (middle) Marissa Klebs. Sarah Gaines, Tara Klemme, Kathryn Brandenburg; (front) Julie Jung, Amber Van Blaircom, Kimbre Taylor, Brandi Holt, and Kaila Snyder.

Are they faking it, or are they out?

Brandi Holt and Lindsey Owsley spot for Sarah Gaines and Nate Franco.







Freshman Sunshine Society Members

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Sophomore Sunshine Society Members (Top from left) Randi Adams, Jennifer Fellmy, Stephanie Keamey (5th row) Molly Lyon

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Hard working Sunshine employee

Kimbre Taylor starts to hang decorations for the Hawaiian Luau to make sure the dance looks all pretty.

Drifting ground in the halls

Sarah Gaines, Natalie Ames, and Aaron Fredrick bring all of the food to the lugu: it isn't a good lugu without great food.







The official Queen of Sunshine Amber Van Blaircom says that being the Queen of Sunshine is just "peachy."

Charlies Angels?

Sunshine girls Julie Jung and Natalie Ames help Mr. Oates hula with the best of them.



Senior Sunshine Society (Top from left) Darshana Patel, Kimbre Taylor, Rachel Wireman, Amanda Butler, Kayla

Kohlhagen, Amber Minix, Amber VanBlaircom, Elena Meroni, Rhiannon Hartwell, Brooke Megan Nagel, Cassie Smith, Jenny Ewen, Amber Critser, and Jessica Miller





Junior Sunshine Society

(Top row from left) Jeanna Pitstick, Russell Bretzinger, Jessle Davenport, Elise Querry, Tina Crystal Thomas, Cassie Papak, Sarah Harwood, Amanda Stath, Abby Miller, Amanda McElroy, Kelly Turner, Kim Deno, Erica Peck, Toni Parker, Heather Brantner, Diane Parker,

Help me! My foot hurts!

Student Trainer Tara Klemme, practices wrapping injuries on Joe DelPrincipe. He did not seem to be in too much pain while helping her wrap correctly.

So, how many years have you been in NHS?

National Honor Society members Kimbre Taylor and Rachel Wireman chat it up while awaiting the induction that will take place shortly.

Switching roles

As a trade-off, Joe DelPrincipe wraps Tara's foot to help show her what she was doing wrong ... It looks like they both need a bit more practice before wrapping anything too serious.









National Honor Society

(Top row from left) Mrs. Maureen Jungblut, Brooke Schantz. Ashley Hayworth, Bryan Inskeep, Joel Nagel, Danielle Kilopp, Juliel Jung-Eva Gulwein, Keely McIlwain; (bottom row from left) Samaah Marilin, Rachel Wireman, Darshana Patel, Terrah Smith, Marissa Klebbs, and Berthany Streitmatter.

Klebbs, a 38 Clubs

Athletic Trainers

(Top row from left) Jamie Wood, Piper O'Brien, Alicia Streitmatter, Natalie Ames, Ashley Hayworth, Jaremy Rodibaugh, Joe DelPfincipe, Ryan Anderson, Danielle McGuire, Jessica Miller, Rachel Peck, Azrielle Albrechi, Breanne Bracasch, middle row) Breann Scheurich, Nicole Bartlleday, Janelle Nagel, Angie Morris, Shalley, Andy Lehson, Josh Carr, Tara Klemmer, (Bottom row) Jordan Balley, Andy Lancue, Brad Inskeep, and Erike Peck.





Keep Up the Good Work!

Piper O'Brien eats a handful of popcorn while helping out at the Pioneerz stand at fun fest.

Helping Hands of Pioneers at the elementry school.

The Pioneers eat and work with elementry students. Nate Franco and John Balvich keep watch over it all.









overdue books here! Remember to bring this back...

Seth Baer helps Stephanie Goodman check out a book from the library.



Media Assistants

(Top row from left) Seth Baer, Lindsey Owsley, Robbie Butler; and (front) Mrs. Black.



Pioneers

(Top row from Left) Sponsor Angela Beighler, Ryan Mays, John Balvich, Janell Nagel, Piper O'Brien, Seth Baer, Nate Franco, James Kupke, Jeremy Rodibaugh, Sponsor Lyn Kiger; Coottom row from Left) Rochel Acuncius, Kendal Kusta, Keely McClwain, Bethany Stietmater, Kendra Frolley, and Britan Inskeep.



This year's plans

The new student council had its first meeting in the summer to make plans for the school year. One of the first decisions agreed upon by all was to have a dance the first week of school.

Steady now...

Student council president Bethany Streitmatter helps vice president Bryan Inskeep hang streamers for the Snowball dance

Getting ready

J.D. Feaster and Paul Mevers help Mr. Oates aet ready for the new school year. They are putting up a background for his bulliten board. Helping teachers the week before school started was a service project.







Say Cheese!

The Student Council Executive Board is ready for this year. Front row from left to right, sits secretary Cassie Papak, president Bethany Streitmatter, treasurer Keely McIlwain, and vice-president Bryan Inskeep. Second Row is sophomore class president Tiffany Inskeep, junior class president and historian Stephen Meyers, and freshman class president Jessica Avila.

2001-2002 Student Council

Front row, from left to right; Stephen Meyers, Holliston Nagel, Jenno Robinson, Cassie Papak, Brooke Schantz, Tiffany Inskeep, and Amanda Stath. Second row; J.D. Feaster, Jessica Avila, Lindsay Powell, Bryan Inskeep, Bethany Streitmatter, Keely McIlwain, Melissa Kellow, Aaron Lomax. Third row; Zach Wagner, Adam Lyons, Bradley Inskeep, Jeremy Rodibaugh, Janell Nagel, Brett Sanders, Ashley Hayworth, Jeana Pitstick, Mat Huhn.





Hurry...

Holliston Nagel is patiently waiting for her picture to snapped as she flashes a quick smile while assisting Mrs. Spurgeon. Those boxes can get heavy after awhile.

I saw that!

Cheaters beware. Todd Ludington is on the watch at Funfest, and unless you're a senior, you're not getting away with anything.









J.D. Feaster puts puzzle magnets on student's lockers to help "get them connected" the first week of school.

Scrub-a-dub-dub

The student council gets to know each other at their first fundraiser of the year. Those cars are getting squeaky clean.



Hard work and no play?

Everyone deserves a break! The members of the student council are chilling out after a hard days work of washing cars. Vollely ball seems to be the sport of choice. Yes, student council needs to take some time off and just sit back and soak up the sun while beautiles.



High hopes for 2001-2002

The student council has many plans for this school year. They rating from new, such as student wide assemblies, to old, like the homecoming festivities. To start the year off fight, they 've put little magnets on everyone's locker with their name on them. The theme represented by the puzzle pieces is, "gat connected."



Get That Car Ready

Scott Lanoue and Todd Yoder get another carready to go. Detailing is their specialty.

Bridge Building

To the bottom right, Tyler Tatlock and Zack Wright get the frame of their bridges ready. In the background Mr. Cox is helping out students who are working on their bridges as well.

Paper those windows

In the photo below, Kenny Fraley puts paper on the windows on a `56 Subaru, so that the paint job can be completed.









Tech Club People

Left to right: (back row) Josh Davis, James Wilkerson, Brett Sanders, Pat Shanley, Jeremy Rodibaugh, Tom Allegrini, Steve Scheckel, and Wes Terrell; (front row) Chris Orto, Chris Thiges, Bill Kupke, James Kupke, Jason Walker, and John Quasebarth,

Now Boys Calm Down

Chris Peterson leaps on the shoulders of Brandon Howard and Winston Lynch, while Andy Lanoue tries to get out of the way. The whole building trades crew is all smiles, and they seem to enjoy the people that they work with.





Studs of the Year.

Carrie Campbell assists her teacher Mr. Dave Goodman while he trims the studs of the house.

The Start of a New Foundation

The 2001-2002 Building Trades classes start off the year with the foundation of a beautiful house.







Senior Pride

Brandon Howard, Jeremy Freeman, and Dennis Black have their power tools ready to go out into the real world.

On our house

The boys at the trades house are ready to tackle anything that they need.



What kind of carpet do I choose?

Chad Hammond is showing the different kinds of carpet that the trades peeps have to choose from. From the looks of it, Chad wants the blue one. Which one do you guys think would do best?





Look at us ... We're the greatest team!

Left to right: Clint Hoeferin. Dennis Block. Adam Herre, Jash Hodden. Tom Alegini; Brondan Douglas Todd Vorder. Scrüttuesse, Megan Wood, AnniVebb. John Bolvich, Austin Zeilmann, Andy Lanaus, Brett Koebocke, Winston Lynd-Jahren/Heisens. Bischalani House, Matham Arriade, Chic Calex, Russellistellargier, Jahren/Heisens. Bischalani House, Matham Arriade, Chic Belleriani, Alegini, A

Sing it, Kevin.

In the picture directly to the right, Chamber Choir member Kevin Earnest steps up to the microphone to sing his well-deserved solo.

Say Cheese

In the picture in bottom right corner, Amber Justice, soprano in the Treble Choir, takes a minute to flash her pearly whites at the camera while waiting for instructions from the teacher.

The Introduction

In the picture below, director Mrs. Olga Orchard steps up to the mic to introduce the Chamber Choir before their performance.









Chamber Choir

(Top row from left) Miranda Luzadder, Seth Baer, Diane Parker, Kevin Earnest, Mandy Tycheck, Toni Parker, Heather Branther, Jamie Tanis (middler ow.) Jennifer Longoria, Jenna Robinson, Michael Vaught, sorach flavowad V tonsest Jawy, Indexay Owsley, Kendal Kosta (bottomrow) Kendal Walker, Ashley Burdett, Amanda Taneh, Fefar Perk Largen (Zwester), Chisti Rico, and Lannifer Editor.

Treble Choir

(Back row from left to right) Jennifer Allegrini, Amanda Teach, and Amber Justice; (front row from left to right) Nicole McAleer, Tasia Shide, Ashley Burdett, Christina Davis, and Jennifer Longoria.





Do Re Mi....

Amber Justice practices her vocal warm-ups so she doesn't injure her voice before the concert.

Dynamite

They may be a small aroup, but they can sure sina. After all, dynamite comes in small packages.









A true musician?

In the picture above, soprano Jennifer Allegrini carefully studies her Treble Choir music.

What a group

The RCHS Chamber Choir tries their hardest to show their audience a good time.



Making sweet harmony

The RCHS Chamber choir puts all of their long hard practice to work at the spring concert. With lively pieces and vocal blending, it was a fun time for all.



High School Singers

(Back row left to right) Josh Timberlake, Kim Deno, Ashley Schultz, Travis Mattocks. (Front row left to right) Nikki Bufkin, Tara Schoonveld, Jodi Siebring, Heather Curles, Amanda Lakin, Dayna Barrett, Abi Jo Snyder, and Melinda Prohosky.



Seniors...48-63...Class of 2002 and Hall of Fame

Hanging out Building

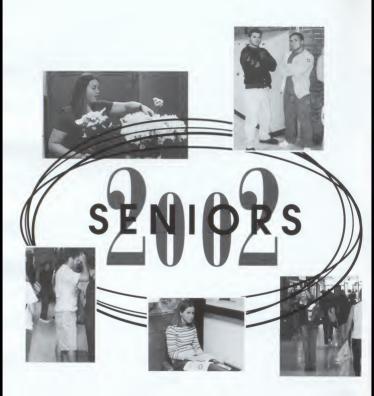
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Sophomores...70-75... Class of 2001

Juniors...61-69...Class of 2003

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Freshmen...76-81 ...Class of 2005











I plan on going to lys



I plan to attend a two-year college and earn a bachelor's degree in landscaping.



I plan to attend Purdue to become a civil engineer and to play golf.

I plan to attend

college and earn a

degree in accounting



Tech State College in Lafavette to get a degree in heating and cooling.



John Balvich



Amy Bardoczi



I plan to attend

Institute for

car commany.

Universal Technical

automotive and diesel

mechanics, so I can

work for a high-end

Seth Baer



Julie Bierman



Dennis Black

I plan to so to by Tech in Lafavette and room with Brandon Howard, Also, Lulan to live a six-figure. presperous life.







Most Likely to Succeed (and Maybe Even Become President)

and



I alan to on to college and pursue a life full of fun with my soonto-be wife Mess



I plan to attend Florida Institute of Technology to study аетоѕрасе engineering and run cross country for the Panthers.



Joselyn Boose

I plan to go to college and have a job that pays well





After high school 1 plan to work at Jasper County Hospital and then attend cullege.



Mike Bowman



Ashley Brenneman

Amanda Butler

I am going to Lake Forest College to major in business and play collegiate





Kristy Conley



Byron Courtright

Most Athletic



Keely McIlwain and Josh Carr

Most Original

Eva Gutwein and Mark Yoder





I am going to attend Ball State University and major in nursing.



l plac oc attending college and majoring in social work for abused children.



Katie Courtright



Amber Critser



My goals in life are to

be rich, happy, and

famons

I'm going to Pordoe and then maybe law school, and I am going to make lots of meee).



I plan to so to college to major in psychology and minor in biology.





Benjamin DeWees



Cassandra Davis



finding a career that



I plao to go to Anderson I niversity and major in elementary education and youth ministry.



I plan on attending Ivy Tech and later become the first woman president of the I nited States.



Amanda Downs



Kendra Fraley



Most Musical

Aaron Lomax

Most School Spirit



Emilia Waling and Dennis Block



I plan to so to college, party, and have fou. I also plan on going to Juliard to become a professional ballerina.



I plan to go to college and eventually own a Fortune 500 company.



Nathaniel Franco

I plan to attend Purdue University for five years to major in



I plan to attend Ball State University and become a sports broadcaster



I plan on going to college, marrying my sonlmate, and eating lots of carrots





I plan to attend

Matt Graf



Evangeline Gutwein

I'm attending St. Joe to cheer and major in elementary and special education.



Purdue where I will major in marketing. millionaire.



in my life.

I plan on owning my

own commuter



Ashley Hayworth

Worst Driver



Best Driver



Stacy Herre



I will be attending



Shyla Hesson







I plan to go to school and major in bosiness management.



I plan on joining the circus and beroming a professional clown or going to the army to assist in setting rid of Osama bin Ladin.







Ball State University

and studying

elementary

education.



Brandon Howard



Aext year I will be attending Cedarville University. I plan to lead a successful life in whatever God leads me to do.



Bryan Inskeep





Brittany Jarrette







Julie Jung



Best Car



Worst Car





I plan to so to college, have tops of foo, and earn a degree in hiology.



I plan to move to Lafavette, have a little (nn. and do a little school at Ivy Tech for business management.



Marissa Klebs



Danielle Klopp

Wy fature plans are to go to Harner Junior College and play football for two years. Then, I will transfer to a fooryear school for my final two years and continue playing football



Brett Koebcke



I plan to show my



I will go to Pardne University and major in computer engineering



James Kupke

I plan to start my own corporation and have other people work for



Kelly Lane

I'm going to the Navy to study nuclear engineering, which will make me an officer (and lots of money).



I am going to escape from Rensselaer, and herome famous.



Cesilia Longoria

Best Smile



Terrah Smith and Ben DeWees 54 people

Best Hair



Samaah Marlin and Romell Watson



I plan to go to college, major in basiness management, and become very rich and very sucressful.

My future plan is to

raise my family and

my nursing degree.



I plan to attend lyv Tech for child development. Lalso want to get married and be a mom.



Todd Ludington



I am soins to attend Indiana University to major in biology so I can be a dermatolo-Fist.



After graduation I am going to Ball State to major in education. I plan on having the time of my life.





Jessica Martin



I plan to work as a union pipelitter, get married, and have a happy life.



Samaah Marlin

two-year college and earn an associate's degree in backcountry horsemanship. Later. I would like to move to South Daketa.

I plan to attend a



I plan on taking a year off to work. make money, and get my own place. Then, I plan to set my associate's degree as a legal assistant.





Rachel Mathew

Best Eyes



Ashley Hayworth and Josh Carr

Best Looking



Samaah Marlin and Jommy Vigeant



After graduation I plan to attend St. Elizabeth School of Varsing.



I plan to attend the Loiversity of Paget Sound and major in bosioess.



Keely McIlwain

I'll go to college back in Italy, and I'll stody for being an



I plan to go to college



I plan to attend Pordue University in the fall.



Elena Meroni



Jason Miller



Jessica Miller

I plan to go to college for three years and become a deotal hygienist



I plan to attend Purdne University and study elementary education.



Angle Morris







Teacher's Pet



Bethany Streitmatter and Josh Carr 56 people

Teacher's Pest







Meg Nagel



I will attend by Tech and major in welding



I plan to attend Indiana University and have a happy and successful life.



Blackhawk Junior College and major in Ar Business.

I will attend



engineering.







Rachel Peck

to major io Biochem. them to HSD for deutistry and continue to specialize in Orthodostics.





Jeff Northeutt

Brandon Pellegrino



and eventually transfer to Pordue Eniversity.



I plan to attent oursing school in the fall of 2003.



Kayla Peterson

Darshana Patel



Best Laugh

and

Best Dressed





I am going to college at II and majoring in Computer Science.







Roy Rodriquez

I plan to go to college and become either an elementary teacher or a heantician



I plan to attend Purdue, have a career in the Votrition Science field, and never quit langhing



& Brooke Schantz

I plan to attend St. Martin's College in the fall and major in Criminal Justice, so. that I may work for the FBI in the fature.







Missy Seely I plan on helping

Tech







Alexis Simmons



Robert Sipkema

Friendliest

Amber Van Blaircom Seth Baer





Brooke Hewitt and Brandon Howard





Cassandra Smith





I plan to attend Cedarville University

and major in

mathematics to porsue a career in



I plan to attend Ball State University and major io x-ray technology.





I I plan on attending

FTI and master in

auto mechanics





Bethany Streitmatter







Kimbre Taylor

Treserva Nazarene **Foiversity** and major in religion, If you would like to know more just ask me.

I pland to attend





acquire a degree in business management/ arrounting.



I plan to become a massage therapist and later go back to Anstralia for about 1 to 2 years.



Funniest



Emilia Waling and Vennis Black



Loudest

seniors 59



I plan to attend by Tech and try to be a model.



Jonny Vigeant



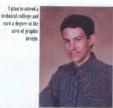


Aaron Voss

I plan on furthering my education by



Emilia Waling



Jason Walker



Romell Watson

I will attend either Indiana University or Butler University and major in English.





Not pictured. Michelle Donnelly Gennifer Ewen Sudhir Gaud John Pfeifer Reed Schultz

Biggest Flirt

and Romell Watson



Biggest Gossip

Cassie Smith and Brandon Howard



A senior snapshot...

Preparing to leave RCHS







Packing up

The class of 2002 packs up their books affer the 3:20 bell. It is now time for the seniors to advance to the next step in their life, and they look ahead eagerly. However, they will always remember the four years they have spent at Rensselaer Central High School.









Most Organized

ethany Streitmatte and Bryan Inskeep



Most Disorganized

Panuelle McGuire and Paron Voss

seniors in

CAss of 0 2

Making a line-up
A group of students have a little
fun at the FDR memorial in
Washington, D.c.
Walking for a cause
The class of 2002 participates for
Just Say No in a local parade.
Enjoying a party
Students kicke off their fourth
grade year by attending a
birthday party.
Flashing a smile
Jennifer Goad, Emilia Waling,
Danielle Klodp, and Rhiannon

Then...

What we were

Perfecting a craft Cassle Smith and Amanda Butler work on a project in elementary school.









Most Artistic

Eva Gutwein and Mike Asbell



Cutest

Sheena Murphy and Iodd Ludington



Keeping the beat Melanie Allis leads the Bomber

Melanie Allis leads the Bothbe Brigade during their halftime show.





Now...

Where we are





Stealing the show

Matt Graf and Chris Filson
dramatically perform the
The Dullsville Mystery.

Using the green thumb
Stacy Herre and CC Longoria

nuture plants for horticulture class.

Beaching the break

Julie Jung, Bethany Streitmatter, Bryan Inskeep, Ben DeWees, and Marissa Klebs stand in front of a picturesque sunset on their senior spring break frip.

Beautifying the surroundings
Roy Rodriguez and Amber
VanBlaircom help the landscaping

efforts outside the school.







Biggest Rebel

Kendra Fraley and Roy Rodriguez

Most Likely to be Late for Graduation



Ashley Brenneman and Aaron Voss

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Sparks Fly High

Junior Aaron Frederick saws some pieces of steel for a project in tech class

CCCCCC. JJJJJJJ

In the photo directly below, C.J. Martin gazes at the camera for a picture while in Art 1, instead of studying to get an A.

Muchas Palabras

Sheena igoe studies her barter money for Spanish class.







Unior year is great because ... "Only one year left..." -Mandi Bridges "First year to attend prom..." -Beth McElroy "It is not, too much work..." -kelly Turner "Last year to smoch with my man..." -Diane Parker "Seniority Rulas..." -Robbie Butler

Mighty Who?

Fiesta, Fiesta, Fiesta intently watching how the merchandise trading is going. Beth McElroy waits for a prospective customer at her booth during market day in her Spanish class.



Pay Attention, Tina.

Surrounded by representatives of all classes, junior Tina Rayonec enjoys the time she has to spend learning Español in Mrs. Beighler's exciting Spanish 2, but pauses long enough for a picture.





Angles, Proofs, Theorums - What's With That?

That?

Sitting either side of sophomore Natalie Gantt, juniors Jil Clouse and Ryan Mays engage in some heavy bookwork in Mr. Stevens' geometry class and try to figure out how things are shaped the way they are.



Blowing to Keep the Hands Nice and Warm.

With wrinkled eyebrows, Sarah Harwood stares frantically into the camera as she is contemplating her part in a one-act play. For the first time in many years, students like Sarah have been able to participate in a theatre class at RCHS

We are the Juniors - the mighty, mighty Juniors

Who graduates in '03?

The leaders or the Mighty Juniors



President Steve Meyers



Vice President Ieana Pitstick



Treasurer Amanda Stath



Secretary Arial Hartwell







Brantner, Megan Wood, and Nathan VanHouten study hard in American History for one of Mr. Potter's tests. Second left: Kim Deno shows the funny expressions of being herself. Lower row, top: Chad Liersch enjoys playing with Legos while others do work. Lower left corner: Russell Bretzinger, Nathan Mroczek, and Chris Peterson work on their science homework in the front row. In the lower left picture. Adam Schleman spends his study hall in the computer lab researching home-







Danielle Abbott
Rachel Acuncius
Tom Allegrini
Natalie Ames
Nathan Amsler
Ryan Anderson
Nathan Arnett
Rob Asbell
Alexis Bacewic
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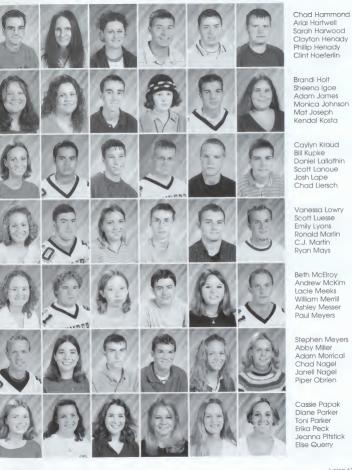
Chad Claussen Jill Clouse Christopher Coker Kevin Conley Daisy Cooper Lauren Crowder

Jessie Davenport Joe DelPrincipe Doug DeMoss Kim Deno Sarah DeWees Annamarie Doege

Shanna Doege Brandon Douglas Nick Earnest Matt Ellis Kenneth Fraley Cassie Frampton

Aaron Frederick Danny Garetto Melissa Gilbert O. J. Gilbert rephanie Goodman Joe Gudeman





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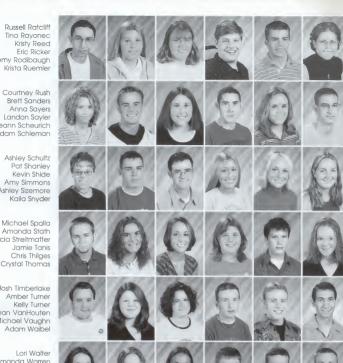
Courtney Rush **Brett Sanders** Anna Savers Landon Savler Breann Scheurich Adam Schleman

Ashley Schultz Pat Shanley Kevin Shide Amy Simmons Ashley Sizemore Kaila Snyder

Amanda Stath Alicia Streitmatter Jamie Tanis Chris Thilges Crystal Thomas

Josh Timberlake Amber Turner Kelly Turner Nathan VanHouten Michael Vaughn Adam Waibel

> Lori Walter Amanda Warren Ann Webb **Brad White** Steve Wilcox Bob Wollenberg



Megan Wood Kristina Yoder Todd Yoder Austin Zeilmann Adam Zimmer













he Power of Concentration Beth McElroy types away at the computer.



Scenes from Mrs. Benner's Spanish class Erika Peck and Mike Vaughn tango the class away!

Robbie Butler gets translation help from Mrs. Benner.

Thumbs up Andy

Andy McKim is giving the camera a big thumbs up and looks pretty excited about it!





Time For Studying Together! Nathan VanHouten and Doug DeMoss study hard in history!



At Work or Asleep In the photo to the left, (from top) Kelly Turner, Robbie Butler, Vanessa Lowry, Kevin Shide, and Amy Simmons just can't get enough Spanish. Ashley Schultz works hard on homework, while Chad Liersch pretends to sleep.



What are you doing? Adam Waibel, are you looking to see if a school bus is coming for you? International? GM? Blue Bird?



¿Lo estoy haciendo bien?

Heather Curles stands at the board in Spanish 2 and asks herself, "Am I doing this right?" Move over Jordan's

Mindy Prohosky concentrates on a floral arrangement for her horticulture class.

Who Knew Legos Could Be This
Much Fun?

Sara Egan and Tiffany Inskeep work to put the pieces together.







phomore year is great because

"We're not freshmen anymore". Ashley Burdett

"What are you talking about, Sophomore year stinks!"

Darin Owens

"Driving is so much better than riding the bus."

Kendal Walker

"No more smelly gym clothes." Jenny Tanis

"We're out of the spotlight." Vicole McAleer

Deep Thinkers

Daydreaming or concentrat-

Staring intently ahead, Jordan Bailey tries hard to concentrate on his studies in correers class, rather than fall asleep while Mrs. Morrow is lecturing.



Working at a lunch table, Tara Klemme and her classmates, Scott Kerlin, Kasey Murrilo, and Megan Pitcher, feverishly try to make the grade and pass a test for their world civilizations class.







Oh, I get it now

Focused on the English 10 lecture being offered by student teacher Ms. Tina Carroll, Corey Keene and the rest of the first period class seem interested in the topic of the day.

I hope I pass, I hope I pass

Wanting to succeed in Señora Angela Bieghler's Spanish class, Eydle Courtright and Matt Gillespie do their

best to pass a test so that they won't have a low grade and the resulting assigned SRT.



Sophomores hear us roar!

Class of 2004

Leaders of the Pack



Tiffany Inskeep Class President



J.D Feaster Vice President



Kate Circene Secretary



Josh Davis Trasurer





Those crazy sophomores

(clockwise from far left)
Ronald Kasparian starts the
day off right with something
from our fine Cafeteria.
Sarah Schantz takes a break
from her snack to smile for the
camera.
Sarah Schantz, Allison Nelson,

camero.
Sarah Schantz, Allison Nelson,
and Sara Egan hold an early
morning session to get homework of the belio.
John Ponto searches for the
perfect piece that fits.
Kaile Hamnon sits in French
class and asks herself, "Ce
Soulire est-il assoz grande?"
Keep Smilling Katiel





Randi Adams Mea Albiston Azrielle Albrecht Jenny Allegrini Angelica Anselm Jordan Bailey

Dayna Barrett Ashley Beaver Brandi Bone Michael Bradley Liz Brown Heath Brunton

Ashley Burdett Shawon Carter Tyler Coddington Mellisa Coker Josh Conley Jordon Cook

Trenton Cotner Eydie Courtright Heather Curles Matthew Daniels Christina Davis Josh Davis

Dacia Deno Cory Dunbar Jason Edwards Sara Egan Josh Eldridge JD Feaster

Jennifer Fellmy Sam Furst Natalie Gantt Nathan Garner Matthew Gillespie Natalie Goodman

Kate Greene Nathan Gutwein Katie Hannon Adam Harwood Josh Hedden Adam Herre



































Tara Klemme Kent Kohlhagen







































Adam Nesius Chris Orto Darin Owens Lindsay Owsley Logan Parmele Daniel Peterson

.lames Peterson Austin Pettet Megan Pitcher Elizabeth Plascak Jeremy Pochon Jon Ponto Melinda Prohosky Calei Putts Amber Reed Maranda Rilev Brandy Roberts Jenna Robinson Jake Rowland Josh Rowland Leslie Rusk Brett Russell Bryan Russell Brad Sayler Sarah Schantz Brandon Schleman Tyler Schultz Tasia Shide Travis Siebert Jodi Siebring Brandon Smith Kevin Smith Matt Smith Josh Stone Sarah Szabo Jenny Tanis Tyler Tatlock Amanda Teach Kylie Thiel Ashley Thompson Mandy Tychek Kendal Walker Eric Walter

Eric Walter Jaymes Weems Megan Weiss James Wilkerson Garrett Williams Pat Williamson





Jamie Wood Norma Zaragoza



Smile!
Amanda Lakir and Sean
Leathers pose for the 2002
Chaos, as do Ashlie
Lockridge and Azrielle
Albrecht do in the photo below.

Keep Up the Good Work! Try-ing to do the right thing for their grade point averages and class of 2004 ranking. Katie Hannon (at right) and Jeremy Pochon (below) study hard for their classes.





The state of the s

The Sophomores Move Up one Notch

(Below, left to right) A group of sophomores (J.D. Feaster, Leslie Jordan, Kate Greene, Amy Kenning, Allison Nelson, Natalie Goodman) take a break from working hard at a game to have a snack.

What is It?
Brandon Smith takes a bold move and tries something from our cafeteria.
3x5's Always Help Out

Kasey Murrillo takes a break from reviewing her note cards to show that studying can be fun.







sophomores 7

Hanging at the basketball game.
Kayla McKnight, Sandra Watt,
and Liz Thorndyke talk to senior
Danlelle McGuire about the boys

basketball game.

Directly below Mrs. Benner's class studies hard for their Spanish 1 test. Below that Josh Levque puts the finishing touches on his mousetrap car in Mr. Cox's technology class.







reshman year is great because

"Um, we're in the highschool. Yeah!!"

Kevin Farnest

"Because we get more oppourtunities to do...things"

Ashley Spalla

"Because the walk match and more freedom!"

[arrive Langue]

"Umm, well ... its not!"

Josh Levaue

"We get to see more hot guys and the teachers are nicer!"

Angela Gass

A new begining

Testing, testing, testing

Johnny Igoe takes one of Mrs.

Johnny Igoe takes one of Mrs.

hopes that he can pass and
go on to Art 2. Learning the
fundamentals of technique
and an appreciation for art
history helps create a proper
foundation in the class.



It's not all fun and games.

Like the other first timers in high school art, Nichole Jacobs finishes her chapter review for Mrs. Spurgeon's Art 1 class so she can pass her test. Work hard, Nichole, and try nottoget too involved in studying.





Hot aluing is fun.

Nick Phegley, Andrew Malone, and Math Gilford work hard on their mousetrap cars, even thoughthey are using the haf glue when they are not supposed to. Good luck boys on that winning car you made. Keep working hard to show off that car making talent you learn throughout the semester.



Reporting on a great topic.

Michelle Kennedy reports on a topic in biology class. Luckily she's a good sport and didn't get too nervous when the camera flashed.

The start of the best years of your life, and with a blink of an eye it's all memories.

Class of 2005

Freshman Class Officers



Kevin Earnest Treasurer



Jessica Avifa President



Ashley Spalla Secretary



Zoe Cortwein Vice President





Freshmen in action! (clockwise from top left) In the top left picture, Paul Primeau and Andrew Malone work on building a house in Mr. Cox's class. In the picture below that, Kayla McKnight and Jamie Pettet work in math with Blake Kosanovich. In the bottom left picture Travis Mattocks and Kyle Harden work on building a house for a nice grade in Mr. Cox's class. To the right of that is Mr. Brandenburg's biology class. In the top right picture Dave Williams gets help on his math.



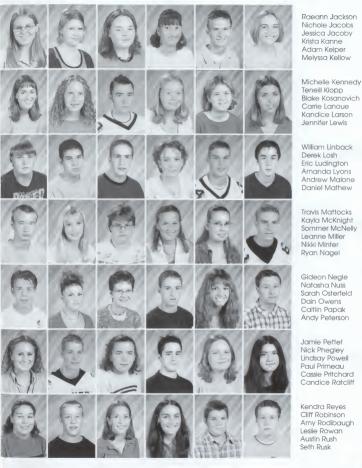




Carlos Avila Jessica Avila Adam Benner Jennie Best Katie Bowers reeanne Braasch Frica Brown Denise Brunton Brad Budreau Heather Cambe Kate Chattin Scott Clark James Conley Allyson Cripe John Davis Matt Davis Corey Dennis Stephanie Deno Cory DeWees Katie Earnest Kevin Earnest Merriah Echterlina Tony Floyd Jenny Gaines Angela Gass Matthew Gifford Kara Gilbert Jimmy Gluth Jamie Goodman Ashlev Gutwein Chris Gutwein Zoe Gutwein Kurt Hamstra Kyle Harden Natoshia Hartwell Justin Hayworth /MASSE Stephen Head Lindsey Hitchings Jordan Holliday Brandon House

78 people

Johnny Igoe Bradley Inskeep



Stephen Scheckel Brent Schleman Bryan Schleman Tim Scripter Darrell Skinner Abi Jo Snyder

Joshua Snyder Ashlev Spalla Patricia Spencer Mitch Swan Matt Swope Karvn Taylor

Sam Thilaes Carlee Thompson Liz Thorndyke Nicole Tow Sarah Ulm Ashlev VanMeter

> Travis Vigeant Zach Waaner Stefanie Waibel Sandra Watt Joseph Webb Dave Williams

Christopher Wilson Adam Wollenberg Jessica Wright Zach Wright Stephanie Yoder Bryan Zingg

Watch Out With That Hip - Keep It Unbro-Jessica Avila shows off her kicking talents near the goal.































X Is Unknown - What's With That? Members of Mrs. Horazy's math class calculate their odds of passing. Clockwise from back left are Carrie Lanoue, Karyn Taylor, Carlee Thompson, Raeann Jackson, and Jennie Best.



Swing your partner till she falls

Freshman Teneill Klopp plays the rough p.e. instructor in the "Dullsville Mystery;" she makes Erica Brown, seniors Chris Filson and Mel Allis, and Kayla McKnight square dance until they drop, literally.

More genteel dancing is shown below by Erica Brown and Tosh Hartwell.











Freshmen get busy their first year at RCHS in the top left photo, senior Stacy Herre shows Jamie Goodman how to make light and fluffy pancakes. In the photo top right, freshmen (from back left) Merriah Echterling, Matt Davis, Ryan Nagel, Abi Snyder, and Dan Mathew concentrate on their math assignment. In the photo directly above, Erica Brown and Tosh Hartwell admit Stephanie Deno to the Capulet Ball. To the left, Jenny Gaines and Brad Innskeep wait for their next chore at the FFA Faculty Breakfast.

Girls Golf...84-85 86-89...Volleyball Football...90-93 94-95...Soccer

Wrestling... 112-113 114-117... Swimming

Track... 118-121 122-123. Sollhall

Cross Country...96-99 100-101...Boys Tennis Cheerleading...102-103 104-111...Baskethall

intensity

Bomber Pride

Baseball...124-127 | 128-129...Girls Tennis Boys Golf...130-131

We grant of the Grant Golf

One putt at a time

The South Newton opponent watches Arial Hartwell as she concentrates on making the putt.

Disturbingly good

Number two golfer Kate Greene finishes another great swing on Hole 6 and witnesses her ball land gracefully in the falway.









Golf is great

In the top left photo, Ashley VanMeter looks on as her ball stops just short of the hole. Above, senior Terrah Smith focuses on getting her ball out of the sand.

Swing it

In the photo to the right, freshman Jamie Pettet hits the ball to put it back on the fairway. In her first season on varsity, she showed a lot of determination.



Playing down the middle

Team captain Terrah Smith keeps her head down as she puts her effort into hitting the ball down the fairway. She was a great leader for the team this year.



Scorecard

	Us	Them
McCutch.	214	199
KV	230	233
Lowell	230	195
Chesterton	230	200
C.Catholic	216	189
T.Lakes	205	192
Harrison	205	233
S.Newton	205	246
N.Judson	203	245
W.Lafayette		
L. Central	225	183
T.L. Invite	121	h of 16
KV Invite	101	h of 18
RCHS Invite	131	h of 20
L. Jeff Invite	151	h of 18
Hooser Conf	. :	5th of 6
Sectionals	71	th of 12



Teacher, coach, mentor Rich Stefanich

Rich Stefanich coached his final season for the Lady Bombers.



Driving for success

Back row (left to right) Terrah Smith, Coach Marian Horazy, Coach Rich Stefanich, Leanne Miller, and Jamie Petter, Middle row (left to right) Kate Greene and Ashley VanMeter. Front row (left to right) Cassle Papak, Arial Hartwell, and Sara Eaan.





Smiling faces = a great season The girls pose for one more picture together to give to their favorite coach. They will miss him and his love for the game of golf.

It's on the green

Sara Egan fees off on Hole 7 at Curtis Creek as freshman teamate Leanne Miller stands behind her, waiting for her own turn to demonstrate what Bomber Golf is all about.

Varsity Volleyball

Seniors, seniors, hey we're here!
Shyla Hesson. Ashley Hayworth,
Bethany Streitmatter. Amber Minix,
and Alina Mathew celebrate their
careers as volleyball players before
their last home match of the season.

"Can you spike me higher?"

Bethany Streitmatter defies gravity and has the ball screaming for mercy when she comes to spike. Streitmatter earned All-Conference honors for the volleyball season.









"We are fam-i-ly"

The Bomber parents show support and pride for their daughters by taking part in Senior Night festivities. In the upper left photo, Natalie Ames demonstrates her setting skills.

"Bumpin' bumpin'"

It's game time, and Breann Sheurich is "bumpin' bumpin'." Ashley Hayworth and Alina Mathew witness this bodacious bump.



Lean, mean, spikin' machine

Ashley Hayworth dominates the net in a match against West Central. Hayworth was one of the hard-hitting Lady Bombers this season.



Bomber Volleyball

Team C.C. Hebron

C.C. Hebron South Newton Boone Grove Kouts Crown Point Twin Lakes K.V.

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North White C.C. West Centrol Tri-County Hanover Central Boone Grove (Sect.)

Them



"Wave your hands in da air if you's a (volleyball) playa!"

Shyla Hesson places the ball in the perfect pounding position for the spiker.



2001 Varsity Volleyball

Front Row (L to R): Allina Matthew, Bethany Streltmatter, Ashley Hayworth, Shyla Hesson, Amber Minix, Back Row. Coach Stephanie Dobson, Allicia Streltmatter, Breann Scheurich, Natalie Armes, Vanessa Lowry, Piper O'Brien, Coach Andrea Cords.





"Have you ever seen a girl with such a huge set of knee pads?" Bethany Streitmatter and Shyla Hesson stare down the competition at the net. "Celebrate good times!"
The Lady Bombers go wild after defeating the West Central Lady Trojans in a nail-biter Se-

nlor Night at RC.

"C" TEAM VOLLEBALL, SET.



Help me out...

Megan Weiss looks for help from Sandra Watt and Jordan Holliday.

Keep your eye on the ball

Bomber players are preparing to "bump, set and spike" their way to victory.

Powerhouse

Katie Bowers sends the ball flying across the net with hopes for another Bomber point.

Watch out

Breeanne Braasch and a teammate become tangled in the process of hustling for the ball.









C-Team

Record 10-12
<u>Highlights:</u>
• First C-team wins against Crown
Point and Twin Lakes

Coaches Comments: Coach Wamesley says, "All of the girls improved a great deal from the beginning of the season to the end. It was a learning experience for all."



"C" Volleyball Team Back row (left to right); Jordan Holliday, Megan Weiss, Liz Thorndyke, Katle Bowers, and Coach Andrea Cords. Front row: Breeanne Braasch, Allyson Cripe, and Sandra Watt.

Junior Varsity

Record 13-17

Highlights

- · Liz Thorndyke led in serves with 262.
- Azrielle Albrecht was top in sets with
- Sam Furst took the lead in spikes with 338 spikes.



JV Volleyball Team

Back row (left to right): Coach Stephanie Dobson, Melyssa Kellow, Iz Thorndyke, Leslle Rowan, and Coach Andrea Cords. Middle row: Jamie Wood, Sarch DeWees, and Azrielle Albrecht. Front row: Ashlie Lockridge.



Gel Cod puts the sall patrol to serve while Hollston Nagel gets ready for the fature of the control of the cont





up and over the net for another point for the Bombers.

The key is teamwork Sam Furst, Sarah DeWees, and Liz Thorndyke rush to help out their fellow teammate



Ace it up

Melyssa Kellow winds up to let loose a killer serve on the opponents during a home junior varsity volleyball match this year. Serving was a strength of the Lady Bomber volleyball team this year.





Believe

3 ... 2 ... 1 blast off

Rensselaer's offensive line gets ready to blast into the Delphi Oracles. What is an Oracle? Nobody cares around here, the Bombers beat them,

Wrap him up

Pat Shanley lays a big hit on the Delphi running back. Other Bombers are in hot pursuit of helping out Pat, but he doesn't need it.



Varsity Football







Two Bomber heroes

In the picture above, Coach Chris Meeks oversees all his players, like Joe Del Principe kicking off to the bruised and beaten Kougars in the photo directly above.

A special kind of player, Josh Carr

In the photo to the right, Josh Carr does his best against Delphi on special teams, like when he returns a punt for a potential touchdown.



Worming through some tackles

Bomber running back Brett Koebcke bursts through some tough Delphi tacklers, which explains why the good guys in red beat the Oracles 33-8.





Bomber Scores

	Us	Them
N. Newton	43	0
Twin Lakes	27	7
N. Judson	22	19
Tipton	0	18
KV	68	0
West Laf.	50	14
Delphi	33	8
Sheridan	35	0
Benton Cent.	14	10
Sectionals:		
Rochester	7	0
N. Judson	20	0
John Glenn	14	20



"I am very proud of what we accomplished this year as a team. Going 10-2 and winning a conference championship made for a great season." Coach Meeks



2001 Rensselger Bombers

Gront row from left Mich Dows, LD. Featler, Mich Saech, Nach Peagler, Managen Mellara Gilber, Magna Rether, Britty Jean, Ashiny Semence Commit Ownits. Berlf Sonders, Adom Lyons, Zoch Winght, (second row) Bicker Kostonovich, Ryon Raggal, Andrew Monoco, Selfisiose, John Core, Jeseny Herberton, Leseny Hobbotton, Leseny Leseny Hobbotton, Leseny Hobbotton



Splitting the uprights

kicker Joe DelPrincipe, blasts a key extra point in the 68-0 victory over Kankakee Valley. Most people would go to the concessions when Joe would kick, because he is "Automatic Joe".

We believe, we believe

Jeremy Freeman leads the team in a halfitime ritual. They say things like "hit hit," and "Bomber Pride." It gets this caption writer jacked up just typing It.



Good game Bombers In the picture to the

upper right, the Bombers shake hands with their opponent after a great game.

Push 'em back

Directly to the right. the Bomber defensive line lets the West Lafayette running back eat some grass.



In the picture to the right, the Bomber defense changes the West Lafayette game plan, taking them away from the option. In the picture below. the Bombers show their quickness to the ball, stopping the running back.









FRESHMAN W/L

LOSS @Twin Lakes @Lowell West Lafavette North Judson WIN

@Benton Central Rochester



Freshman Football

(Top row from left) Coach Clay Webb, Andrew Malone, Ryan Nagel, Dave Williams, Adam Keiper, Corev DeWees. Johnny Igoe, Coach Matt Stevens; (middle) Zach Wright, Adam Lyons, Josh Davis, Nick Phegley, Blake Kosanovich; and (bottom) Managers Emily Lyons, Melissa Gilbert, Ashley Sizemore, and Megan Pitcher

JV W/L

Twin Lakes @Kankakee

Valley WIN WIN Winamac

@North Tudson WIN

@North

WIN Newton Benton Central



JV team huddles together

At halftime of a junior varisty game, the coaches are discussing the game plan for the second half. The hopes are they will return to the endzone many times to score many points.



Who got hands? Ryan Nagel got hands. Here, he makes a circus catch during a JV game against West Central.









Both sides of the ball. Bombers get it done

In the picture above. the Bomber defense makes a huge tackle in the backfield for a loss against the West Central Trojans. In the picture directly to the left, the Bomber offense lines up under Johnny lace to get the score.

Special teams and defense win championships

In the picture to the left, the Bomber defense teams up to get a bia sack on the West Central quarterback. In the picture to the lower left, Kevln Smith kicks the ball off to give the opponents awful field position.



JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

BOYS JV SOCCER BOYZ'



Go, Chad, go

In the top right hand corner, Chad Nagel takes the ball up the field to score a goal.

I got it, I got it

In the picture directly to the right, Matt Ellis comes off the line to save the ball from sneaking in the goal.



Nice job guys

Directly to the right, the guys head in to take a break after a rough game against Winamac.

How exciting

In the bottom left hand corner, Nathan Stone watches the game in anticipation.







JV Boys Soccer

- Final Record: 6-6-2
- · First tourney win at Caston
- First win against Twin
 Lakes 8-0
- Tied Benton Central

Personal bests

Chad Vagel - 100 saves

· Andy Lanoue - 15 shots on goal



(Top row from left) Coach Scott Micklo, Nathan Gutwein, Austin Zellmann, Matt Ellis, Jeremy Pochon, Josh Davis, Chris Gutwein, Nathan Stone: and (bottom row) Matt Smith. Chris Thilges, John Davis, Andy Lanoue, Clayton Henady, Adam Benner, Dain Owens, Sam Thilges, Not Pictured: Chad Nagel, Adam Morrical, Corey Dunbox.

JV Girls Soccer

- · Final Record: 4-2-1
- First win vs KV 1-0
- Five shut outs
- Two games in one night (1st game win - Hebren, 2nd game tied KV varsity)
- · First goal at Merrillvile -Mandy Tychek
- · MVP Missy Seely
- · Bomber attitude-Amy Radibaneh



Top row (left to right): Lesley Jordan, Eva Gutwein, Mandy Tychek, Mary Tychek, Angelica Anselm, Jenny Tanis, Jessica Avila, Taryn Kincaid, Missy Seely, Coach Matt Norton, Bottom row (left to right): Darshana Patel, Norma Zaragoza, Amy Rodibaugh, Teneill Klopp, Mea Albiston, Stephanie Kearney, Kimbre Taylor,



I'm going in In the top right hand corner.









Angelica Anslem steps back onto the field to finish the game.



What good sportsmanship to Directly

left,Lesley Jordan's opponet helps her to her feet after tripping her along the way.

Out of my way

In the bottom left hand corner, Taryn Kincaid sprints past her opponet to gain possesion of the ball.



GIRLS JV SOCCER

Girls Cross Country

Go, girl, go

To the right, Michelle Donnelly gets an audience to watch her race even in the drizzle.

Keep your head high

In the picture below, Janell Nagel leads the pack without looking behind her. She has confidence in her own abilities.









Got to get up the hill

Above to the far left, Zoe Gutwein strives to make it up the hill for a spontaneos sprint to the finish line.

Get movin'

In the picture above, all you need is motivation, and Danielle McGuire has got all that it takes to be the leader of the pack.

To the right, Samaah Marlin takes a look at the muddy terrain.



Look out for the big hill

The fans can tell by the look in Janell Nagel's eyes that she is going to make it up the hill and be the first to the finish line.



Girls Cross Country

Finalrecord

s wins 2 loses

Highlights

• 1st at Hammond-Gavit Invitational

- •1st at Sectional
- •2nd at Regional
- 10th at Semi-State



Coach Zimmer's take on the season: "Our main goal was to win sectionals, and through hard work we achieved it."



Go, team, go

Front row (left to right): Samaah Marlin, Candice Ratallif, Zoe Gutwein, Ashley Gulwein, Michelle Donnelly, and Eydie Courlinght. Top row (left to right): Coach Bill Zimmer, Jocelyn Boose, Lindsay Powell, Danielle McGuire, and Janell Nagel.





Danielle, you are the runner In the picture to the left, Danielle McGuire runs her heart out to make it to the finish line before her competitor. I got your back, girlfriend Jaceyln Boose has to maintain her pace to stay competitive in the race.

Boys Cross Country

What are they talking about?

Jacob Roland conspires with fellow teamate Ryan Mays. As a first year cross country runner, Jacob Roland worked extremely hard and became a key top five runner. Ryan Mays was a veteran and also a key runner.

Utter determination

Watch out! Rensselaer men take no prisoners. These boys run with one thing on their minds, to win. They attack at the start and finish.





Take No Prisoners



Livin' it up

Jacob Rowland, Ryan Mays, Scott Kerlin, Tommy Vigeant, Adam Zimmer, and Robbie Butler bond as they gather together after an amazing team effort.

The wheels

Adam Zimmer holds the key to dear unners: shoes that have been worn by Ben Zimmer, Eillott Zimmer, and many others. Legend has it that these seemingly magical racing flats are all a runner needs to crush the competition.



Bullding on the past to become a future leader

An outstanding runner for the RCHS boys cross country team in 2001, Adam Zimmer plans to return during the 2002 as a serior, and, with a lot of sheer aggression, hoped to lead his team with even greater success.



Scores

Us Them Hanover 38 Gavit Invite 5th of 11 37 Pioneer 24 and West Cent. 77 B.C. 66 44 and Twin Lakes 30 North Newton 47 57 New Prairie 12th Winamac 3rd of 4 Logansport 12th of 14 Jeff Invite 12th of 15 Conference 2nd of 5 Sectional 6th of 12



RobbieButler lets the world know that the boys team means business when they say, "Anything less than your best is a



Boys Cross Country Team, Say Cheese ...

(From left to right) Coach Bill Zimmer, Adam Zimmer, Tommy Vigeant, Travis Vigeant, Jacob Roland, and Michael Spalla. (Not pictured: Robbie Butler, Scott Kerlin, and Ryan Mays.)





Time to pump up

Adam Zimmer chats it up before a race and discusses the course. The rest of the team, in the background, mentally prepares to crush the competition. Here's mud in your eye

Scott Kerlin participates in the girls' mudfight as he celebrates finishing at regionals. Scott was the only RCHS male runner to advance to regionals. The race was rainy and muddy, but it was well worth it.

Boys Tennis

Sitting down on the job

way to Bomber victory.

Mat Huhn, Byron Courtright, and Matt Graf take a load off as they prep themselves for more sectional tennis action at Culver Military Acadamy.

What goes up must come down Junior Ryan Anderson gets set to wale upon the unsuspecting fuzz of a Bomber tennis ball and send it on its









The tennis players go marching 2 by 2 (horadh horadh)
Senior tennis stars Matt Graf
and Byron Courtright think
themsleves to be big stuff as
they march into another
match. (Above) Ryan Anderson blasts another winner.

All for one and one for all

Porthos, Athos, and Aramis gather once again to battle evil and save maidens in distress. Well, maybe Matt Graf, Bryan Inskeep, and Byron Courtright just forgot their swords and were in need of an alternate form of protection.



I believe I can fly...

Matt Huhn believes his ball can touch the sky. He thinks about it every night and day. He throws it up and then he waits. He believes he can score. He believes he can backhand and serve and more. He believes it can fly. He believes it can fly ...



Dominate the Net



It's a bird, it's a plane, It's a cat with three legs! This tripod kitty is visited every year by the Bomber tennis team, a rather peculiar tradition.



Sleep on me... when you are fired

Math dillespie uses Byron Courtright's shoulder for a pillow after a long and titing day at remote courts. Bonding on the Bomber van become a regular occurrance, especially when the hoped for results did not materialize as the game plan was designed.





Comin' to ya, on a dusty court Hard-hitters Matt Graf and Byron Courtright show why they coined the phrase "Dominate the net!" Just like the ice cream man...
Mat Huhn can serve it up and
dish it outwith the best of them.

JUST CAN'T HIDE THAT BOMBER PRIDE

Midwest Cheer and Dance

During the 2001-02 school year, the RCHS cheerleaders competed in an All-girls stunts, small junior varsity, and small varsity Alexis Simmons and Millie Waling competed in the scholarship division, Rhi Hartwell was in the dance individual, and J.D. Feaster was in the mascot division. Topping all others in its category, Rensselaer took first place in the sauad divisions. In all, the cheerleaders had a successful year.

Beat those Jays!

Sophomore Jenna Robinson and junior Amy Simmons show their enthusiasm and spirit between the first and second quarters of the junior varsity game. Nothing can get these girls downthey're constantly smiling.





Go Team Go

The freshmen cheerleaders encourage the basketball players to another victory.









Who rocks the house?

The Bombers rock the house, and so does Carrie Lanoue. At left, she does all she can to get the crowd motivated and pumped. Above, the cheer-leaders execute three straight up extensions for the starting line-up.



The varsity squad is pictured above. Front row from left is Angle Morris, Rhiannon Hartwell, and Katie Hannon. Second row, Emilla Walina. Alexis Simmons. Rachel Peck, and Tara Klemme.



The junior varsity cheer squad shows their true colors are the red. black, and white. Front row from left is Sarah Schantz and Jenna Robinson; second row is Dayan Barret and Heather Curles; and third row is Natallie Gantt and Amy Simmons.



The freshman squad (front row from left) Includes Natosha Hartwell, Kayla McKnight, and Lindsey Hitchings. In the back row is Ashley Spalla, Carrie Lanoue, and Michelle Kennedy.



Beat those Kougars!

The Rensselaer cheerleaders are pumped for Homecoming, the most exciting football game of the year. Senior Rhiannon Hartwell is in front cheering her heart out.



Straight Up Extension Lindsey Hitchings is on top of things. The freshmen (from left.

Carrie Lanoue, Kayla McKnight. and Michelle Kennedy Tosh Hartwell is unseen on the far side) learned a lot this year; and they show it when they display this build. They warm up the stunt before the game starts so they can work on exciting the crowd to cheer on the team. Performing with such expertise can be a challenge and quite an impressive feat for their first year of high school.



Swoosh!

A junior varsily basketball player just made a freethrow and Natalie Gantt flashes a smile while Jenna Robinson shouts encouraging words. These glifs are always found supporting Rensselaer athletes. Also in the picture is the rest of the junior varsily squad.

Lady Bomber Varsity B-Ball



Practice makes per-

The Lady Bombers practice hard so they can beat whatever rival might come their

way. Let's Go Ladies!

In the photo below, Lady Bomber Jamie Woodstruggles for that ball.





Grab It

Fiercelessly and with determination, sophomore N at a lie Goodman lunges for the ball around a Twin Lakes player.



Swooshl

Senior Ashley Hayworh goes up and aims for a two point shot for the Lady Bombers.

I got it. I got it!

Junior Guard Jeanna Pitstick really gets in the game to get





Ready, Aim, Fire!

Junior ayard Jeanna Pitstick pops for two as teammate Megan Pitcher watches and anticipates the results.





	Us	Them
North White	37	50
Knox	36	56
C.C	49	31
Winamac	40	57
Delphi	41	51
Harrison	26	60
B. Central	23	73
Hebron	57	71
Hanover	41	47
South Newton	40	36
Frontier	51	44
Sheridan	42	54
West Central	33	46
Twin Lakes	47	71
W. Lafayette	31	50
Tri County	38	62
K.V	35	68
Tipton	40	46
North Judson	40	80
North Newton	38	70
Boone Grove	42	48



I'm Open!

Sophomore Megan Pitcher looks across the court to hit an open teamate with a pass.



What a Team

(Back row from left) Manager John Balvich, Natalie Ames, Megan Pitcher, Jamie Wood, Janell Nagel, Natalie Goodman, Jeanna Pitstick, Amanda Warren, and Coach Scott Micklo: (second row) Manager Lacie Meeks, Manager Danielle Abbott, Manager Cristen Liersch, Manager Stephanie Kearney; and (front row) Alina Mathew, Ashley Hayworth, and Amber Minix





You can do it Lady Bomber Alina Mathew goes up for a layup in hopes of scoring two for the team.

Hustle Ladies Amber Minix breaks for the hoop as Alina Mathew fires the ball for two.

FRESHMAN BASKETBALL



We're always ready

A perfect play is set and the defense waits to show how tough they are by allowing the opposition to shoot nothing but net.

Point well taken

Melissa Kellow takes the point guard position with poise and grace. She quickly gets by the competition

In for the win

Elizabeth Thorndyke passes the ball in for an easy score. It looks like the Kankakee Valley defense doesn't have a clue as to where this ball is going, but one thing is for certain that the Lady Bombers are only in it for the win.









Score

Dec	nu	
	Us	Them
N. Newton	39	19
Lowell	34	22
N. Newton	38	28
Kankakee	18	28
W. Lafayette	23	30
Lake Central	30	24
Valparaiso	16	38
Harrison	25	45
Crown Point	29	30



Freshman Team (front row from left) Kendra Reyes, Kim Deno, Melissa Kellow, Sandra Watt, Nicole Tow; (back row) Allison Cripe, Elizabeth Thordyke, jamie Goodman, Jessica Avila, Leanne Miller, and Coach Scott Micklo.

Score

	Ųs	Them
North White	37	50
Knox	36	56
C. Catholic	49	31
Winemac	40	57
Delphi	41	51
Harrison	26	60
Benton Central	23	73
Hebron	57	71
Hanover	41	47
South Newton	40	36



JV Team: (front row from left) Manager Danielle Abbott, Amber Justice, Holly Nagel, Managers Lacy Meeks and Kirsten Learsch; (bock row) Katle Bowers, Jamie Wood, Samantha Furst, Leslie Rowan, Natalie Goodman, Breanne Brasch, and Cooch ScottMicklo.



Jamle Wood aims right for the hole and walks away with a smirk as she knows the defense wasn't quick enough to block her shot





Freethrow queen Jeanna Pitstick continues to hold thefreethrow queen title. She often sinks

them under immense pressure. **Rebound it** The Bomber Ladiesl block out and get into

position to keep control of the offense and the court.

Country strong
Amber Minix uses her
country girl strength to
score over the defense
and let them know
who's boss. She has
played basketball for
many years and all
throughout highschool

so she knows how to knock out the competition

DEST V GIRLS BASKETBALL

Attifude

What's That in the Sky?

It's a bird, it's a plane. No, it's James Wilkerson. Wilkerson goes for the layup against McCutcheon.

Catch Me If You Can!

Jeremy Rodibaugh blows by the BlueJay defense before they know what's going on.



Boys Basketball







Fleet Feet Skeet

Bryan Inskeep prepares to set a pick for Rodibaugh. Directly above, Bryan Inskeep finds the open man from up-top.

D-E-F-E-N-S-E, Defense for a Victory!

Brandon Howard, James Wilkerson, and Robbie Sipkema shut down another opponent on defense.



That Shot is Money!

When Brandon Howard shoots o free-throw, his shot is as good as gold. He shows-off his shooting skills here against McCutcheon.



Bomber Results

Team	Us	Them
Knox	52	49
Tri-County	42	57
West Central	49	46
North White	71	60
Harrison	36	51
S. Newton	40	53
Tipton	54	94
McCutcheon	39	80
Pioneer	66	59
W. Lafayette	47	58
Kouts	42	72
North Judson	52	68
B.C.	41	81
N. Newton	59	55
Winamac	37	56
K.V.	44	55
Frontier	65	80
Twin Lakes	43	57
Delphi	68	57
Sheridan	68	60
(Sec) B Grove	51	63



In his third season as RCHS head basketball coach, Mr. Mike Feagans saw much improvement from the previous season and hopes for even more next year.



Smile for the Camera!

Front row (L to R): Ashley Brennemon, Poul Meyers, Bryon Inskeep, Jeremy Rodibough, Tom Allegrini, James Wilkerson, Jessico Miller, and Robbie Buller; bock row: Carol McEfroy, Brett Koebcke, Robbie Sipkemo, Romell Wotson, Scott Lonoue, Cole Hewitt, Cooch Mike Feogons, and Brandy Roberts.





"Now, What We Gonna Do Is..." Coach Feogons calls o timeout to give his ployers o breother ond plon some strategy.

Know No (In)boundaries

It's no problem to get the boll in ploy for the Bomber basketball teom, os Wilkerson demonstrates here.

TAKE IT TO THE HOOF HAVE



Head for the keyhole In the top right photo.

the boys freshmen basketball teamputs up another excellent shot far the Bombers an the hame caurt.

Who wants it? In the top left picture,

Blake Kasanovich loaks far an open teammate to pass the ball ta.

Weaving in and out

Directly to the right, Ryan Nagel dodges in between Kouts Mustang defenders, as he maves toward the sala shot.

Set that play

In the phato below, Ryan Nagel lines up for a shot or someone to receive his pass.









Freshmen

Season Highlights The 9th Boys' Basketball team had a three game winning streak in January where they defeated Kouts, North Judson, and West Central. Also, they enjoyed the addition of a tourney win at Twin Lakes at the end of the season, an opportunity that allowed the freshmen a time to compete with teams that they otherwise would not get to play. Coach Butler: "It was great getting a chance to work with these young men and watch them grow and mature."



Freshman Boys Basketball

(Back row from left) Coach Terry Butler, Adam Benner, Cory DeWess, Adam Kelper, Tim Scripter, Ryna Nogel, Blake Kosanovich, Jash Synder: (front row) Manager Lauren Crowder, Sam Jarges, Nick Phegley, Cliff Robinsan, Justin Haywarth, and Carlos Avila.

JV Team

Team Knox Tri-County West Central North White Harrison South Newton Tinton McCuthson Pioneer West Lafavette North Judson Renton Central North Newton Winamac Kankakee Valley Frontier Twin Laker



2001-2002 JV Boys Basketball Team

(Back row from left) Coach Ernie Watson, Manager Ashley Brenneman, Tyler Tatlock, Jordan Bailey, Josh Eldridae, Kevin Earnest, Jeremy Pochon, Tom Allegrini, Manager Carol McElroy, and Assistant Coach Chip Gull; and (front row) Manager Jessica Miller, Johnny Igoe, Andrew Malone, Paul Meyers, Darin Owens, Shawn Carter, and Manager Brandy Roberts.



The face of despiration Kevin Earnest tears be

Delphi

Sheridan



ers to get the ball





Block that shot

Vertical motivation allows Tyler Tatlock to iump for an awesome block for the Bombers.

May I have the next dance?

In the photo to the left, Paul Meyers moves around the opposing player with the grace of a ballroom dancer.

Wait for it, wait for it... The Bombers patiently wait for the rebound, so that they can take the ball to the hole.

Learn from mistakes

In the bottom left photo, the junior varsity Bombers anxiously watch a home game from the bench.



Sectional Champs

Squeeze that Devil

130 pounder Matt Joseph takes down a West Lafayette Red Devil for the count.

Smarter than the average Baer

Seth Baer throws the half and is "looking it to the mat" for the pin. Six "pic- i -nic baskets" for the Bombers.









The Two Big Fellas

In the picture directly above, Jeremy Freeman pins a McCuthcheon Maverick. In the picture to the upper left, Semistate qualifier Heavyweight Andy McKim takes time to smile for a photo.

Stone Cold Scott Luesse

Scott Luesse tries to setup Hobart Brickle forthe Stone Cold Stunner. He just needs to get some more lift and then it's all over.



Arnett Fears No Bulldog

In a duel match versus Crown Point, Nathan Arnett shows no fear as he sets up to takedown his Buildog opponent, and hopefully to secure a victory.





Score Board

1	DOME	nvai
1	US	Them
LaVille	46	29
Sa. Bend St. Ja	e 58	12
Sauth Bend Cla		52
Michigan City		30
Baone Grave	27	39
New Prairie	57	23
West Central		21
Kankakee Vall	ey39	28
Narth White	64	6
Twin Lakes	23	50
Narth Judsan		17
Narth Newtan	46	27
West Lafayette	34	34
Lewis Cass	53	19
West Central		15
Andrean	64	10
South Newton		0
Bentan Central	39	26
Western	66	15
Crawn Point	31	33
Habart	42	27
Chestertan	28	28
McCuthchean	18	53
Portage	0	68



"I was very pleased with the season. It is always nice to win a sectional championship."

Coach Chris Meeks



2002 Sectional Champions

(Back row from left) Tom Vigeant, Andy McKim, Scott Lussa, Nathran Gutvein, Nathran Ameth, Pat Shanley, John Wheeldon, and Travis Larson; (third row) Matt Powell, Seth Baer, Matt Joseph, Jeremy Preeman, Jost Carr, John Blue, Jeremy Jones, and Joel Nagel; (second row) Clayfon Henady, Doniel Lallatini, Dain Owers, Matt Drovis, ID-Feaster, Zach Wright, Tyler Schultz, and Brett Sanders and (front row) Managers Kate Green and Kara Mulvihill.



He's a Brick.....House.

The preying mantis, Andy McKim, lines up to wrestle his opponent from Hobart. Andy defeated the Bricky in double overtime.

Sanders goes for the takedown Brett Sanders works hard at tak-

Brett Sanders works hard at taking down a McCutheon Maverick. Sanders takes him down for two points.

Lady Bomber

On Your Mark...Get Set...GOI

The Lady Bombers take off into action for a victory.

The Lone Diver

Jocelyn Boose, the Lady Bombers' only diver, gracefully dives back into the pool.







Swimming



Breaking The Record

Freshman Ashley Gutwein breaks the 200 IM record during the meet against Lafayette Jeff

Reach For The Sky

Directly above, Jenny Lewis stretches her arm to the air and backdown while racing to the end.

Anybody have the butterflies?

Watch to the left, as Lindsay Powell shows confidence in her butterfly stroke. It's apparent that she doesn'thave any such problems.



In The Lead?

In the picture below, Jamie Pettet swims ahead leaving her opponents far behind.

Taking A Breather

In the middle picture, Kaila Snyder comes up for a quick breather before going back under to finish her lap.







Stats:

	US	Them
N. Judson	111	72
Seger/		
Harrison	127	74/116
West		
Lafayette	76	
Twin Lakes	79	104
Merrillville	99	84
Pioneer	118	52
Griffith	105	66
N. Newton	126	40
B. Central	119	61
Knox	143	40
KV	112	71
Delphi	123	60
Lafayette		
Jeff	110	73
Crown Point	65	118
Lowell	90	95



The Energizer Bunny

In 2002, Keely McIlwain broke four of her own records. She just keeps going, and going, and going.



Splish Splash... Lady Bomber Swimmers

Back row (from left): Jocelyn Boose, Keely McIlwain, Jamie Pettet, Amy Bardoczi, Sara Egan, Jennifer Lewis, and Coach Kerry Bennett; and (front row) Lindsay Powell, Kalla Snyder, Katie Earnest, Denise Brunton, Ashley Gutwein, Allison Nelson, and Amy Rodibauah.



Seniors Kate Courtright, Jocelyn Boose, Amy Bardoczi, and Keely McIlwain finish their final season with a bang.

Sara Egan swims to the end, but only to turn around and go back.

Blab 000

Boys Bomber Swimming



Waiting Patiently

In the even lanes, Josh Hedden, Byron Courtright, and Adam Zimmer get ready to take their marks for the next swimming event.

Trying to get a jump on a sectional win Byron Courtright takes off to participate in the 100 butterfly.







Every bit of rest counts.

In the top photo, Adam Zimmer rests his eyes before his next event.

Triumph over pain

Directly above, Josh Davis competes in the backstroke relay at sectionals after recovering from lung surgery.



1, 2, 3, BREATHE

Josh Hedden comes up for a breath in the 100 yard butterfly.

Going strong for the defeat

Phillip Henady swims his hardest breaststroke trying to defeat his opponents.



Scores

Team	Us	Them	
McCutcheor	1		
	127	33	
Seeger	106	70	
Harrison	103	73	
Lowell	91	91	
Crown Point	51	132	
Delphi	133	33	
K. V.	101	73	
Knox	110	63	
Benton Central			
	111	45	
S. Newton	80	5	
Griffith	105	65	
Pioneer	138	31	
Merrillvile	86	90	

Twin Lakes



The lone senior on the 2002 team, Byron Courtright, leads the Bomber Swim Team into sectionals during his final year at Rensselger Central.



2001-2002 Men's Swimming Team

Back row from left: Coach Dan Kellow, Steve Wilcox, Josh Davis, Adam Zimmer, Kevin Smith, Adam Herre, and Kevin Conley: (middle row) Landon Saylor, Brad Saylor, Bryon Courtright, Phillip Henady, Josh Hedden, Matt Gillespie. and Manager Nathan Garner; and (front row) Manager Lori Walter, Aaron Voss, Adam Wollenberg, Dan Mathew, and Manager Austin Pettet.



Look at those arms Power and strength help Kevin Smith win the 100 yard butterfly.



Up close and personal Friendly teammates Adam Zimmer and Josh Hedden congratulate each other after a win at one of their meets.



25 yards to go. Landon Saylor does his best for his team in the breast stroke in the 400 medley relay.

They're gonna catch you!

I can go the distance

On your mark, get set, go! Runners from Rensselaer include Janell Nagel, Danielle McGuire, Allison Nelson, and Stephanie Walble.

Almost Donel

Practically in sync, Senior Danielle McGuire, and Junior Janell Nagel are sticking together till the end. Of course, they took first and second, an honor they switched the whole season.









Go Long!

In the photo above, Allison Nelson takes the baton and is running hard to finish the 4 x 800 relay. Just below Samaah Marlin, leaps to greater lengths in the long jump.

Flying High

It seems that way at right as Jamle Wood clears the bar at amazing heights. High jump is all about technique and speed.



Look Out!

Clear the path for senior Amber Minix. She's the best shot put and discus thrower from Rensselaer. Amber stayed focused and advanced to regionals in 2002.



SCORES

3rd of 11

Bomber Boiler Relays 20 Tri-County 74 56 and S. Newton 30.5 N. Judson 66 and N. Newton 16 Twin Lakes Inv. 3rd of 8 58 Lowell and N. Newton 27 GE. Relays 2nd of 7 RMD 1st of 3 Knox 23 40 Conference 2nd of 7

In regionals Amber Minix placed 5th in discus and Janell Nagel placed 8th in the 3200.

Sectional



All for one, and One for All Stephanie Waibel. 70e Gutwein and Allison Nelson stretch it on in like the three

musketeers.



2002 RCHS Girl's Track Team

(Front row from left) Manager Lindsey Hitchinas, Manager Kayla McKnight, Danielle McGuire, Amber Minix, Shyla Hesson, and Manager Rhi Hartwell; (second row) Tiffany Inskeep, Candice Ratcliff, Stephanie Walbel, Katie Bowers, Breeanne Braasch, Vanessa Lowry, Allison Nelson, Tara Klemme: (back row) Coach Jill Henady, Katie Earnest, Ashley Spalla, Jenny Lewis, Carrie Lanoue, Janelle Nagel, Jamie Wood, Jessica Avila, Mellssa Kellow, Coach Nancy Messman, and Coach Linda Kaufman.



Determination

In the photo to the left, speedy senior Shyla Hesson just finished the hurdles. and all she has left of the 100 meterrace is afewmoresteps. The hurdles make for a difficult course because it requires speed, strength, agility, and coordination. Shyla possesses all of these attributes, and that's what makes her an asset to the team.



What can I do?

Early in the season, freshmen Kendra Reves and Carrie Lanoue gather around to check out their distance in the shot put. Hopefully they will be able to improve their scores enough to compete with the big dogs.

Young runners take over

UGH

With a loud grunt Scott Luesse spins around and around to get as much strength as he can behind his flying disc.

Top thrower in the area

Jeremy Freeman, who has been the Bombers' top thrower for all the time that he has been at Rensselaer, gives his disk the heeveho.









Nothing like a little O.J

In the picture directly above, Josh Davis and Adam Zimmer relax after their events. Above that THE JUICE, O.J. Gilbert is getting ready to throw his disk.

Is it a bird, is it a plane?

No, it is freshmen long jumper Adam Keiper. He only seems like a bird or plane because of the long distance he earns on his jumps.



He's hunary like a wolf on a hunt

Like that great 80's song "Hungry Like a Wolf." Distance runner Scott Kerlin is hungry for a win and he's on the trail. The determination can be see it in his eyes.



Results

S. Newton/T. Lakes/N. White

2nd out of 4
S. Newton/ Tri-County
2nd out of 3
North Judson/N. Newton
2nd out of 3
Twin Lakes Invites
6th out of 8

Lowell/N. Newton 3rd out of 3 Gene Edmonds Relays 7th out of 7

RMD

3rd out of 3

Knox/ Boone Grove
3rd out of 3

Hoosier Conference
6th out of 7

Sectionals

8th out of 12



"We were young and inexperienced with lots of potential, if they stay with it in the future." Coach Dan Kellow



2002 RCHS Boys Track Team

Zouz kuchs boys index learni (Flistrow from left) Matt Davis, Andrew Malone, John Davis, Jeremy Freeman, Sam Thillges, Manager Matt Gilliespie; (second row), Scott Kerlin, Philip Henady, Tom Allegrini, Clayton Henady, Chris Thilges, Manager Josh Hedden; and (third row) Coach Dan Kellow, Coach Sid Dotson, Travis Vigeant, Josh Davis, O.J. Gilbert, Adam Zimmer, Scott Luesse, Pat Williamsson, and Manager Kevin Smith





AZ brings it home Junior Adam Zimmer hustles home the last leg of the 4x400

nome the last leg of the 4x400 relay, which was an always competitive event for the Rombers

On your mark, get set.....

In the heat of the mile run, Adam Zimmer and Andrew Malone are boot scoot and bettying their way out to a big lead.

LADY GOVBERTTBALL



This one is for the team. The picture in the top

The picture in the top right hand corner shows Natalie Goodman doing her best with hopes to score for the Bombers.

Wait for it..

In the picture to the right, Breann Scheurich takes her time to throw the perfect pitch.

In the ready position.

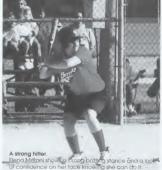
In the bottom right picture, Laina Martin stands in the outfield in her ready position.

Covering the base. In the picture below,

Cassie Papak covers her base so that nobody can come past her.









JV Team

Highlights

During the 2002 season the girls did very well. Although the vid not win, many games, they worked hard as a team and showed great improvement. The girls softball team continued to build a foundation for a plus season very soon.



2001-2002 Girls JV Softball

(Back tow from left to right) Coach Lenny Lason, Sandra Watt, Elana Meroni, LeAnn Miller, Jamie Goodman, Elizabeth Thorndyke, Jamie Pettet, Caltilin Papak, Notoshia Hariwelli (Middle row) Jenny Allegrini, Kandlae Lason, Jordan Holiday, Nafasha Nuss, Jenny Galines, Amber Justice; and (bottom row) Manager Locie Meeks, Jessica Wright, Megan Wood, and Nafalie Gantt.

Varsity

Team North White W. Lafayette

W. Lafayette Knox

South Newton Tipton

Morgan Township Washington Townsh North Newton

Delphi Delphi

Frontier Benton Central Benton Central

Tri-County Hanover Central

Sheridan Twin Lakes

Twin Lakes North White KV Andrean-Sectional



2001-2002 Varstiy Girls Softball

(Back row from left) Manager Angelica Anselm. Carol McEtroy, Laina Martin, Bream Scheurich, Danielle Klopp, Piper O'Břien, Diane Pariser, Brandi Holt, Brooke Hewitt, Coach Kim Acklins; (front row), Manager Kristy Reed, Cassle Papak, Arlal Hartwell, Natalle Goodman, Tina Rayonec, Ashley Schultz, Krista Rumler, Manager Robbie Butler.



Nothing will get post met Dontelle Kopp awaits in the Infield prepared for anything that comes rier way





Any minute now... In the picture above,

Ashley Schultz stands in the outfield and watches the game with anticipation.

Up to bat next is..

In the picture to the left, Diane Parker stands on deck and awaits her turn to bat next for the Bombers.

Putting it past the plate

In the picture to the left, Carol McElroy looks to her catcher before she pitches and strikes out her opponent.

Looking alive?

In the picture in the bottom left hand corner, Arial Hartwell stands patiently waiting for someone to hit the ball to her.



TBROOKSIDE BOMBERS"

Wilki on the Hill

Brandon Howard looks on as James Wilkerson fires another strike to an unfortunate batter.

Wormy at the Bat

Brett Koebcke is about to take a mighty hack at a pitch.





Boys Baseball





"Ducks on the Pond"

aggressive baserunning at takes some practice second while Mat Joseph cuts before going up to (above) is eager to score bat. from third.

The Swingin' Shimmy

Adam Schleman does some Matt "the Shimmy" Ellis



Ready to Rock

Matt Graf gets ready to crush the ball against an apposing pitcher.



Bomber Results

Benton Centro Benton Central Tri-County Roone Grove North Judson North Judson Sheridan Knov Frontle West Lafoyette West Infovette Tiptor Tipton Twin Lokes Twin Lokes Knov Delphi Delphi

Wheeler

13

13



Always in position for the play, Senior Brandon Howard takes the throw at first base from a Bomber infielder.



2002 Bomber Baseball

(Frontrowfromletf) Army Rodibough, Matle Hannon, Brandon Pelleighton, Morton Gorf, Jeremy Rodibough, Matl Joseph, Daniel Lollathin, Army Szemore, Arnarda Lyors, (riddolerow) Sleve Meyers, James Wilkerson, Matt Bils, Dennis Black, Pat Shanley, Nathan Armsler, Doug DeMoss, Melliss Gillbert and (backrey) Coords Sim Cox. Coords Brion Zocher, Jordan Balley, Adam Schleman, Brandon Howard, Brett Koebcke, Cole Hewitt, Coord han Wolfer, and Coord Clay Webb.





"Frog on the Lily Pad" Aggressive at the plate on

the diamond or in the dining room, Jeremy Rodibaugh looks to drive in Matt Graf with a good

The Bomb Squad

The Rensselaer dugout fuels the fire that keeps the Bomber bats hot and maintains at en-game winning streak.

IMPROVING WITH EACH PITCH



HOME RUN HITTER

In the top right photo, Adam Nesius warms up on deck before he goes up to bot.

HEY BATTER

Directly to the right, Andy Lanoue (shortstop) and Johnny Igae (center field) hope to keep the opposition off the bases.

Strike!

To the right, Doug DeMoss throws on impressive curve ball for o third strike.

Bubbles

As the oction intensifies, Coach Clay Webb blows bubbles and concentrates.









Freshman Scores

	Home	Visitors
Lake Central	0	14
Lake Central	0	8
Kouts	4	3
KV	8	13
Twin Lakes	6	9
Lowell	5	10
Lowell	8	12
Harrison (rain or	it) 2	2



Freshmen baseballi: (back row from left to right) Coach Brian Zachier, Cory DeWees, Steve Head, Tim Scripter, Scott Clark, Bryan Schleman, Assitisant Coach Dan Wülbur; Second row) Blake Kosanovich, Nick Phegley, Carlos Avila, Cliff Robinson, Zach Wight, Jahnny (goe: and Cottom row) Managers Steve Meyers, Emily Lyons, Amy Rodibaugh, Ashley Sizemore, Katle Hannon, and Melissa Gilbert.

Junior Varsity

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Jy Baseball: Coack row from left to right) Coach Clay Webb, Poul Meyers, Mottl Ellis. Doug DeMoss. Chts Peterson, Chad Clausen. Johnny Igoe. Assistant Coach Dan Wulbur, Assistant Coach Birdn Zacher, (middle row) Manager Stew Meyers, Adam Nasius, Andy Lanoue, Daniel Italiathin, Matt Powell, Nick Phegley. Manager Emily Lyons, and (front row) Manager Skrille Hannon and Amy Rodbaugh. Nick Nagel, Shawan Carler, Clint Hofferlin, Managers Astley Szerore, and Mellssa Gilbert.









Wait for it, wait for it Assistant coach Dan Wulbur watches first base and keeps a wary eve open for the pick

off.

Bring it

Crouching and ready for the ball on the right side, Cory DeWees mans second base while Johnny Igoe takes care of center field.

The talk

Bombers.

Trying to get the upper hand on the opposition, Coach Webb goes out to talk to pitcher Doug DeMoss.

Lead to a big win Andy Lanoue gets a lead off first base so he can attempt to steal second base for the



VAR CITY LEARNING FROM MISTAKES

Girls Tennis

Tennisaurus Rex



Don't Fall!

Alicia Streitmatter may look like she is getting ready to fall, but she is putting all of her strength behind her to make a powerfull serve.

Swing for that Ball

Terrah Smith swings as hard as she can to put the ball back on the opponent's side of the net.







Watch and Learn

In the photo above, Ashley Lockridge and Jessica Martin watch their fearmmates to learn some skills. Directly above Eva Gutwein rushes in to send the ball back where it belongs.

Flamingo Style!

With one leg steady on the ground, Azrielle Albretch serves the ball flamingo style as on-lookers in the background wait and see if the opponent actually returns that ball.



Leap of faith

Jocelyn Boose leaps into the air to slam the ball back down on the other side, while her partner, Marissa Kelbs, waits for that ball to come back to her.



Girls Tennis Scores

	Us	Them
Kankakee		
Valley	W	L
Delphi	W	L
Benton		
Central	L	W
Crown		
Point	L	W
North		
Judson	W	L
Kankakee		
Valley	W	L
Knox	W	L
Culver	L	W



Eva is the number one singles player. As a senior, she lead the program to one of its most successful conclusions.



Girls Tennis

Gins Tenns (Front For Manager J.D. Feaster, Marissa Klebs, Nichole Battleday, Megan Weiss, Katle Courtright, Azrielle Albrecht, Ashile Lockridge, Jennie Best; and (back row) Coach Tiffany Sadera, Leslie Rowan, Rachel Acuncius. Allacia Streitmatter, Eva Gutwein, Manay Tychek, Mary Yuchek and Coach Meissa Bachani;





Keep your eyes on that ball Nichole Battleday doesn't seem to be looking at the ball, but it is certain that she will hit it over the net for the point.

Look, Aim, and Fire.

Katie Courtright watches the ball to see when it's just the right time to fire it at her competition. She hopes her alm will keep her opponent on the move and out of position.

Boxy Golf

Keep Your Eyes on the Ball

Bryan Russell sets up to the ball hoping for a successful swing. Bryan was the varsity's fifth man most of the year.

Senior Representation

The lone senior on the boys golf team, Mike Asbell, strokes a putt at a home match. Mike placed second in sectionals shooting a 77, which qualified him for regionals.









Perfect Form

Directly above, Brad Sayler watches as his ball skies towards the hole. Above that Austin Pettet watches the ball drop into the hole.

Getting in touch with nature Chad Nagel and Landon Saylerstroll through Curlis Creek pondering their next shots. These two played vital roles in the ju's 8-4 winning season.



Smooth Stroke

Ryan Anderson, the only junior on the varsity team, watches as the ball rolls towards the hole. Ryan was the feam's number one player throughout the year. He was given the most valuable adfer award by Coach Stefanich.



Results

Twin Lakes	362	12#
Legends	358	19th
KV	369	10th
Conference	351	5th
RCHS	356	12th
L.CKV	0	- 2
Jeff-B.G.	0	4
Hanover	1	4
T.LC.C.	3	4
W.LFrontie	r 4	
W.C.Winame	ac 5	
Gibson	5	
K.VT.C.	6	
S. Newton	7	8
Kouts- N.N.	9	8
B.CN.J	10	9
Sectionals	333	6th



Scott Lanoue takes a practice swing before hitting his approach shot at Curtis Creek Country Club.



2002 RCHS Boys Golf Team

(First row from left) Manager Sara Egan. Brad Sayler. Auslin Pettel, Logan Parmele, Travis Mattocks, and Mitch Swan: (second row) Chad Nagel, Landon Sayler, Scott Lanaue, Milke Asbell, Coach Rich Stefanlich. Ryan Anderson. Matth Huhn, Byan Russell, Brandon House, and Manager Jenna





The Beach

Austin Pettet looks up after a successful sand shot. Being one of the three sophomores on the varsity team, Austin played number two on varsity throughout the whole year.

Freshman Success

Brandon House was a great addition to the jv golf team this season. Brandon and Mitch Swan were the only two freshmen to help in competition during the season.

Homecoming...134-135 136-137...Fall Drama

Participating in Creating

Prom. 146-147 148-149. Candids

Snowball/Mr. Bomber...138-139 140-141...Sunshine Dance

Candids...142-143 141-145...Spring Musical

lasting memories

Funfest...150-151 152-153...Graduation



Ashley Ayworth and Brandon Pellign











Alina Wather

and Justin Nesius

Singing in the rain

Many of the students watched the Homecoming rally from the stands. There were many umbrellas, but also many smiles. Not only were students invited, but locals were too. Occasionally the cheerleaders would throw out candy.

Watch out

The J.V. football players are getting hyped for the game on their way to the field. The noise on the trucks really helps

ride on? Janell Nagel

ad Ashley Gutwein pedal bude for the Bombers e rest of the cross country tea



Are we there yet?

As they slowly creep to their destination of the high school football field, Cassie Papak, Amanda Stath, and Monica Johnson show off their class float. They hope they win this year.

Bomber jacks ready?

They sure are! With the senior leaders in the middle, the rest of the football feam rushed to the field to perfrom their traditional bomber jacks for the entire crowd



dreams come









Anai Morris Ben Delvees



Danielle McGuire Tommy Vigeant



The parade marshall this year was Mitch Ockermann. He sure is muliti-talented as he waves photogenically to the onlookers at the parade. It's the "little" things that make our superintendant so special. To the right, the band takes a break and watches the show in the rain.





and Joel Nagel

homecoming 135

"Am | Blue?"

Should | be

concerned if I'm

not?



Ena Gutspein
The Gutspein sister are came to RCHS
IN 2001, As big sister Ena played a
meedium who predicts the future after it
happens: Roe made her high school debut
In the "Blue" play as one who already was

"Auntie Em ..."

Detective Matt Graf attempts to make sense of Andy McKim's cinematic ramblings in the upper left

Circle round the file cabinet

Cast members (top right photo from left) Danny Garetto, Alex Longoria, Merriah Echterling, Zoe Gufwein, Abi Jo Snyder, and (reclining) Nicole Tow surround the sacred blue cabinet. Happy Ending

Dullsville is a safe place once again, when Kimbre Taylor's gym shorts are found by amateur detective and boyfirend for life Matt Graf.









Always show a blue cabinet the proper respect?

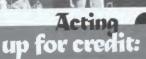
The "Girl Who Wouldn't Turn Blue" complete cast (this photo with Merriah Echterling) poses serolusly around the keeper of Blue

Merriah Echterling) poses seroiusly around the keeper of Blue information. To the right, all cast members prepare for their opening in the dressing room.

it's showtime ...

One act plays return to RCHS as productions from drama class. In the photo to the left, Kimbre Taylor plays the crazed lunch lady in "Dullsville Mystery." To the right. Alex Longorla and Merriah Echterling have make-up applied by Suzi Jordan and Janice Mercer for the "The Girl Who Wouldn't Turn Blue"





Fall One-Acts 12-16-01

acts





iksto Bryan Zimac



Dancing in "Dullsville"

The farce "The Dullsville Mystery" held several "dancing" moments. Directly above, contact square dancing is the norm in Teneill Klopp's aggressive p.e. class. To the left, Mel Allis strikes a pose as one of two cheerleaders who can't spell.

"Dullsville" has strange occupants



Savak Haywood The principal of Dullville High School spearkeads the search for the missing mystery hinged on the loss and



and Danielle Klopp



Seth Baer and Shyla Hesson



Ben Delvees

and Terrah Smith





Josh Carr and Askley Haymorth



Jom Vigeant

and Danielle McGuire

A final prep Mr. Bomber candidates receive last minute instructions from Student Council president Bethany Streitmatter.



And the winner is...

Escort Danielle McGuire turns to embrace Tom Viaeant as he is named the 2002 Mr. Bomber.







Embraces all around

In the pictures above, the candidates and escorts gather to congratulate the newly named Mr. Bomber with hugs and handshakes as he is presented with a plaque from the RCHS Student Council.

Decorating for the magical night

Student Council members Zach Wagner, Melyssa Kellow, Holliston Nagel, and Tiffany Inskeep make preparations the day of the dance. Mat Huhn takes a break after completing the decorations







Dancing in a winter

SnowBall

Reminiscent of childhood sweethearts Bethany





Students Incognito



Julie Jung sports an angelic look as a snow angel for the winter-themed



Matt Graf goes for a dark handsome western look in a black combon hat and combon boots.





Quotes from the Sunshine Dance 2002



Shawn Carter and Brooke Hewitt Sunshine and hugs all around



J.D. Feaster, "I had the most fun when I was crowd surfing."









(Top left photo) Brandi Holt, Nicole McAleer, Kendal Walker, Amanda Lions, Kalla Snyder, and the Queen Amber Van Blaircom.

Senior royalty (Middle photo) Marissa Klebs, Sarah Gaines, Klmbre Taylor, Julle Jung, Amber Minix, and the Queen Amber Van Blaircom.

Show 'em how it's done In the center photo, Michael

Vaughn and Elena Meroni get down at the dance.

Pose for me now

Amy Nardoczi, Mandi Hinkle, and Sheena Murphy smile for the camera.



Looking good
As Mike Asbell shows what he has got as he boogles the night away onthe dance floor.



"Gettin' Jiggy wid it" down at the Sunshine Dance 2002

In the photo to the left Eric Ricker is having fun at the dance. In the middle, Kathleen Acuncius and Kayla Peterson strike a pose while they are dancing. In the tight photo, Joshua Hedden and Matt Gillesple enjoy the magic of the evening.







Sunshine Dance

Fantasy Lane

March 9, 2002









Strike a Pose

To the left. Nicholas Phegley, Kayla McKnight, and Lindsey Hitchings take a break from the furious activities. Directly above shows Brooke Hewitt, Dayna Rusk, and Danielle Klopp having a good time.

Scenes from the

Gym ... like a

castle



Amanda Lyons strikes a pretty pose, while also showing off the dance decorations.



A finished product
Junior Chad Liersch proudly displays the
toy machine he created for a class





Catching up

Juniors Arial Hartwell, Alicia Streitmatter, and Sarah DeWees chat by their lockers before the 8:05 bell rings to begin the school day.

Oom pah

Freshman Kevin Earnest creates a pleasing sound with his instrument in first hour band.

A work of art

Freshman Zoe Gutwein places her pottery piece in the display case to brighten the halls of RCHS.



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Checking with a friend

Sophomores do a group review session to prepare for a test.

Step step turn

In the middle left photo, juniors Etika Peck and Michael Vaughn practice their tango skills in Spanish class.









Chaos in progress

In the photo above yearbook editor Bethany Streltmatter creates a section template for the 2002 Chaos in Mr. Oates' room.

Monet and Manet

Freshman Johnny Igoe learns about artists and their preferred media while reading his Art 1 book.

The backstage crew is essential.



age hand Katie keeps took of the



Karyn Jaylor

Karyn served as backstage creps member

one night, and the next she played Jally

Brown in the other cast.

Nothing like a little Beethoven In the top center phata, Schraeder

In the top center phata, Schraede (Nick Earnest) listens ta Lucy's (Sarat Harwaad) philasaphizing at his piana

Sibling rivalry

A dejected Charlie Brawn (Steve Meyers) exits the stage, as sister Sally (Jenna Rabinson) laughs in glee in the top right picture.

Lucy vs Linus

Blanket laver Linus (Michael Vaughn) muses, while alder sister Lucy (Sarah Harwaad) rambles an and on and an









You could be king ...

Charlie Brawn checks the mailbox far a Valentine. Michael Vaughn, Steve Meyers, and Mrs. Olga Orchard practice sangs from the shaw.



Double threat

The two casts (standing from left) Sarah Harwood, Mel Allis, Kevin Earnest, Andy McKirn, Kimbre Taylor, Stephen Meyers, Jenna Robinson, (seated) Michael Vaughn, Nick Earnest, and Karyn Taylor. In the middle photo, the Red Baron files again. Charlie Brown listens to Sally's ideas on life.











Cartoon comes alive at RCHS.



Sally Brown shares her thoughts on hi social life with the audience.



Dog's Best Friend Sleeping on or around Snoopy's dog house norks for both man and beast



cotiner Lucy lighted Taylor helps to the before sheet ays t



Of dog and men

Or oog and men
Andy McKirn is transformed into Charlie Brown's best
friend, Snoopy, by Mrs. Suzi Jordan in the photo to the
left. Directly above, amateur psychiatrist Lucy Van Pelt
messes up Charlie Brown more than he already is.

They sure clean up



Amy Bardocki

Mount of home working on an engine
Amy and date strike a stunning pos

with Sheena Murphy and Todd

Luddington close behind



Seth Baer and Diane Parker
One junior and one senior at the junior
senior prom = one good looking couple.

I could have danced all night

In the center photo Mike Asbell and Danielle Klopp dance in the foreground, while Samaah Marlin and Adam Zimmer follow close behind.









Five lovelies, but the crown goes to ... Queen candidate hopefuls Samaah Mariin, Shyla Hesson, Ashley Hayworth, Jessica Miller, and Marissa Klebs react to the big announcement.

The Promenade

Aways a parent pleaser, the couples parade around the dance hall midway through prior 12. PCLS students starting on the far left page from left. Ashley es-Schult. Told Yorker. Casie Smith. Bittimay Jarents. Kitty Corley, Danelle Abbott. Melayses Adellow. Poul Meyers. Adam Morticol. Koyla Swyder. Down McGulier, Kathy Brandenburg. Adam Walbel, Liz Brown, John Barkich, Jeanna Pitstick, Holliston Nagel, Julie Jung, Jessica Martin, Matt Graf, Brooke Hewitt. Scott Linaue, Collin Papack, and Tom Allegirial.











Halleck Hall is once again transformed.



Kathleen Acumoius smiles pretty for the camera soith date class of 'O'l graduate
Brad Furst



ОК, зо зиммо ме

Todd Luddington at post prom



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Prom Ping and Queen Seth rae and
Maritia KS basilvorthe mothers when
they arisa; their special clance.



And the 2002 Prom King is ...

Surrounded by well-wishing friends, Seth Boer graciously assumes the role of Prom King. To his left is Mike Asbell and on the right is Josh Carr. Others pictured above are Steve Meyers, Jeanna Pitstick, Ben DeWees, Tommy Vigeant and Mrs. Meta Waling.

Legos for all ages

Sophomore Jon Ponto designs a project with legos in one of Mr. Terrell's technology classes.





Stressed out

The school day exhausts most people, and these particular students are no exception. They look to get a bit of nap time in before the bell rings.

Group work

In the photo above Natalie Goodman, Allison Nelson, Matt Gillespie, and Kevin Smith tackle an assigned project in Mrs. Bieghler's class.

Hola

Spanish 3 students Lauren Crowder, Amanda Stath, Amanda Warren, and Abby Miller speak Spanish on a market day in class.





Donut got your tongue?

Sophomore Ron Kasparian eats breakfast in the lecture hall to get energy for the school day while his friends finish up their homework for first hour.

Before the bell

Senior Tricia Dennis shares a laugh with a classmate after finishing her assignment on the computer.









Ready for warm-up

In the middle left photo, senior Danielle Klopp waits in the hall offer the 3:20 bell rings to make weekend plans with her friends before driving over to Brookside Park for softball practice.

Oh so pretty

Junior Stephen Meyers arranges pink, yellow, and white flowers to make an aesthetically pleasing arrangement using skills he learned in horticulture class.

What was your favorite part?



Dayna Rusk

The best part of this year's Funfest was the Bobbing for Parts course I liked it because it was messy



Jeremy Rodibaugh

This year the hardest parts of putting Funfeset together were dealing with the rough weather, the wind, and the slip-and



Millie Wailing and Brooke Schantz introduce the talent show acts with a little bit of humor before the games take place for Funfest.

Seniors vs. Freshmen

Mike Asbell and the seniors blow the freshmen out of the water in a game of mushball.

This piece is mine!

Brooke Hewitt gets messy in some Jello and grabs a big piece to help out the seniors in the Bobbing for Parts game.

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Okay, which way does this go?

wet clothes as a part of the relay race.

In the picture above, Toni and Diane Parker paint each other's faces at the FCS face painting booth.

In the picture to the right, Amy Simmons hurries to put on some



Taking a break from class to have some fun

In the pictures below Keely McIlwain, Amanda Lyons, Eva Gutwein, and Ms. Burton play a nice quiet game of cards. J.D. Feaster slides through the scopy water to try to beat the upper classmen in the obstacle course. Ronnie Kasparian and Josh Rowland play a freindly game of Twister while Katile Hannon and Hollik Nozel instruct them on their next move.









messy and have

Funfest

May 1, 2002









Samuntha Furst
This year at Funfest I participated in the
which course, and I liked it because it out
messy



This may first year of Funfest, I reveal the stand the juniors in at least one of the many festivities





Lets see, what do I need next? Marissa Klebs leans over the big pool of Jello trying to

determine which part she should go for next. Ready? 1, 2, 3 GO!

In the picture to the left, Sara Egan and Alison Nelson step up to the front and prepare themselves to beat the juniors in tug of war with some assistance from the rest of the sophomore class.

Primed and ready to go.



Eva Gutwein

Class sponsor Mrs. Jan Benner keeps the flow of seniors moving toward their seats.



Amy Bardocei

Roses for the girls has become a tradition for graduating classes a RCHS

Speakers at the ready

In the center phata, speakers Darshana Patel, Todd Luddington, and Julie Jung listen as Bethany Streitmatter gives the valedictary ad-

Bowing for prayer

Jason Walker, Dayna Rusk, Roy Rodriguez, and Jahn Quasebarth show proper reverence during Chris Filsan's opening prayer.





Dandruff?

Mike Asbel reacts to a variety of prajectiles covering his robe, hat, and part of his face - the graduation must be official, if the silly string flies.



On the dais

Many members of the class of 2002 spoke from the podium or performed in the band or choir during graduation. The orators, from left below, are closing speaker Darshana Patel, class president Todd Luddington, salutatorian Julie Juna, and opening speaker Chris Filson.









your tassels to the other style 9 June 2002

Graduation









Anticipation

In the picture above, the seniors sit with hands full of confetti, toilet paper, and anything else that can be thrown in the air at the proper moment.

In the photo to the left, Danielle McGuire and Keely McIlwain prepare to enter the gym for perhaps the last time.

Shake with your right hand ...







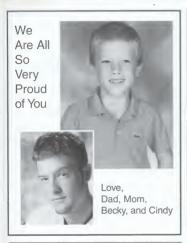


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Dad, Mom, and Meeghan





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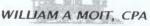
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